



RFP for Wholesale Energy Supply

City of Mesa

Live Auction Date: Monday, November 17, 2025



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Customer Overview

City of Mesa ("Mesa") provides electricity to over 18,000 residential and commercial customers in a territory of approximately 5.5 square miles including downtown Mesa.

Mesa provides natural gas service to over 77,000 homes and businesses in Mesa and the Magma service area, a 235 square mile system located southeast of Mesa in portions of Queen Creek, San Tan Valley, and Pinal County.

Polar Overview

Polar Consulting ("Polar") provides a broad spectrum of energy procurement and transactional services to utilities, wholesale market participants, and large commercial and industrial customers.

Polar designs and administers competitive RFPs and auction-enabled energy procurement events on behalf of its customers within its Polaris RFx Platform.

Polar's role in facilitating transactions is that of a match-making entity, as Polar never takes title to any of the commodities or attributes for which its customers are transacting.

RFP Overview

Mesa is seeking to procure firm around-the-clock energy supplies across several terms within Calendar Year ("CY") 2026 and 2027 delivered to either Mead or West Wing.

Mesa will collect offers from qualified bidders for products as outlined within this RFP via a structured live auction event conducted on the Polaris RFx Platform beginning at 10:00 AM MST on Monday, November 17, 2025.

Complete RFP details may be found both within this document and on the Mesa RFx webpage hosted on the Polaris RFx Platform.



RFP Timeline (Dates Subject to Change)

Task ID	Description	Date	Time (MST)
1	RFP Released to Bidders, Polaris RFx Website Published	Tuesday, October 21, 2025	11:00 AM
2	Questions and Answers Window Opens for Bidders	Tuesday, October 21, 2025	11:00 AM
3	Bidder Enablement Requests Due (For Bidders Not Enabled with Mesa)	Friday, October 24, 2025	4:00 PM
4	Bidder Indication of Participation Intent Due	Friday, October 24, 2025	4:00 PM
5	Polaris Auction Platform Demonstration Conducted	Tuesday, November 4, 2025	10:00 AM
6	Deadline to Complete New Enablement Activities (If-Applicable)	Wednesday, November 12, 2025	4:00 PM
7	Live Auction Opening Prices Posted	Thursday, November 13, 2025	10:00 AM
8	Questions and Answers Window Closes	Thursday, November 13, 2025	4:00 PM
9	Live Auction Event Conducted	Monday, November 17, 2025	10:00 AM
10	Award Review, Notification Period Concluded, Selection(s) Made	Monday, November 17, 2025	12:00 PM

Auction Lots, Auction Schedule

Energy Auction Lots

Polaris Lot ID	Description	Term	Volume (MW)	Delivery Hours	Volume (MWh)	Delivery	Product	Opening Price (\$/MWh)	Polar Fee (\$/MWh)	Auction Open (MST)	Auction Close (MST)
2688638	1a. 5 MW ATC - Mead - Jan 2026	January 1, 2026 - January 31, 2026	5	7x24	3,720	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:10 AM
2688647	2a. 5 MW ATC - Mead - Feb 2026	February 1, 2026 - February 28, 2026	5	7x24	3,360	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:15 AM
2688650	3a. 5 MW ATC - Mead - May 2026	May 1, 2026 - May 31, 2026	5	7x24	3,720	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:20 AM
2688653	4a. 10 MW ATC - Mead - Oct 2026	October 1, 2026 - October 31, 2026	10	7x24	7,440	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:25 AM
2688656	5a. 7 MW ATC - Mead - Dec 2026	December 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026	7	7x24	5,208	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:30 AM
2688659	6a. 10 MW ATC - Mead - May 2027	May 1, 2027 - May 31, 2027	10	7x24	7,440	Mead 230	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:35 AM
2688662	1b. 5 MW ATC - West Wing - Jan 2026	January 1, 2026 - January 31, 2026	5	7x24	3,720	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:40 AM
2688665	2b. 5 MW ATC - West Wing - Feb 2026	February 1, 2026 - February 28, 2026	5	7x24	3,360	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:45 AM
2688671	3b. 5 MW ATC - West Wing - May 2026	May 1, 2026 - May 31, 2026	5	7x24	3,720	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:50 AM
2688674	4b. 10 MW ATC - West Wing - Oct 2026	October 1, 2026 - October 31, 2026	10	7x24	7,440	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 10:55 AM
2688677	5b. 7 MW ATC - West Wing - Dec 2026	December 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026	7	7x24	5,208	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 11:00 AM
2688680	6b. 10 MW ATC - West Wing - May 2027	May 1, 2027 - May 31, 2027	10	7x24	7,440	West Wing 500	Firm Physical Energy	TBD	\$0.25	11/17/2025 - 10:00 AM	11/17/2025 - 11:05 AM

Note that City or Mesa intends to award -either- (a) -or- (b) variants or each product -or- a combination of volumes therein

Auction Product Specifications

• Buyer: Mesa

• Seller: Awarded Bidder(s)

• Energy Product: Firm Physical with Liquidated Damages

• Energy Delivery Point(s): Mead 230 kV (Lots 1a. – 6a.) & West Wing 500 kV (Lots 1b. – 6b.)

• Energy Delivery Term(s), Quantity: Varying

o Lot 1 – 5 MW ATC – January 2026 (January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026)

Lot 2 – 5 MW ATC – February 2026 (February 1, 2026 – February 28, 2026)



- o Lot 3 5 MW ATC May 2026 (May 1, 2026 May 31, 2026)
- o Lot 4 10 MW ATC October 2026 (October 1, 2026 October 31, 2026)
- Lot 5 7 MW ATC December 2026 (December 1, 2026 December 31, 2026)
- o Lot 6 10 MW ATC May 2027 (May 1, 2027 May 31, 2027)
- Energy Pricing Format (Auction Variable): Fixed \$/MWh
- Polar Transaction Fee for Energy: \$0.25/MWh
- Auction Format: Live Reverse with Hard-Stop Close

Auction Process Overview

This RFP will be hosted on the Polaris RFx Platform, with electronic auction lots to capture bidder offers for each associated product. All auction lots will be open for offers at the same time, with staggered closing times as detailed above.

Bidders must participate within the Polaris RFx Platform auction event(s) to have their offers considered for contract award. Offers submitted outside of the Polaris RFx Platform will not be considered for award.

Bidders may place an unlimited number of offers within each auction lot up until the hard-stop close of the auction lot, at which time no additional offers will be accepted.

Upon placing an initial offer, bidders will be able to view the prevailing best offer price and associated quantity within the auction lot, which will automatically update throughout the auction event. Bidders are encouraged to submit their best offers even if they are unable to match or beat the prevailing best offer, as multiple offers may be awarded from each auction lot.

Accessing the Polaris RFx Platform

Bidders may access the Polaris RFx Platform by following the link below and clicking either the "Login" or "Register" button in the upper right-hand corner of the page:

https://polarisrfx.com/

There are no fees, costs, or contractual requirements associated with gaining access to the Polaris RFx Platform. Once logged into the platform, bidders may search for and request access to this RFP (labeled RFx within the platform).

Once access has been established, bidders will see the RFx listed in the "Registered" section of the RFx Dashboard and may click "View RFx" to access the RFx and all associated details, including any hosted documents. Bidders may also toggle views on the RFx page between overview details and a listing of individual auction lots.



Bidder Notices of Intent

Bidders seeking to participate within the auction pricing events must provide notice of participation intent via email to <u>pc_operations@polarconsulting.com</u> by no later than **4:00 PM MST on Friday, October 24, 2025**.

Polaris RFx Platform Demonstrations

Bidders are strongly encouraged to schedule guided demonstrations of the Polaris RFx Platform to familiarize themselves with the platform and its bidding process if they have not already done so. Bidders may reach out to pc_operations@polarconsulting.com to set up a guided platform demonstration and tutorial or utilize the scheduling applet on the Polaris RFx Platform homepage.

Polar Transaction Fee Payment Terms

Polar will issue invoices for transaction fees to awarded bidder(s) following the successful execution of contracts between Mesa and awarded bidder(s). Transaction fees will be applied to the full-term contract volumes and payment will be due within 30 calendar days from invoice issuance date.

Bidders must ensure that they are taking into account the applicable Polar transaction fees when placing bids/offers within the Polaris RFx Platform. The prices entered into the platform represent the prices at which the customer would transact and must be inclusive of applicable transaction fees.

Applicable transaction fee(s) have been detailed within the *Auction Product Specifications* section of this document.

Questions and Answers

Bidders may submit any questions and/or requests for clarification via email to pc_operations@polarconsulting.com for review by Polar and/or Mesa teams.

Polar will review and respond to requests in a timely manner throughout the RFP process. Questions of relevance to multiple bidders may be anonymized, responded to, and added to a public Questions and Answers log to be hosted on the Polaris RFx Platform.

Auction Results Review & Award Process

Mesa intends to review auction results, determine award selection(s), and convey award selection(s) to bidders immediately following the conclusion of all auction events.



Mesa reserves the right to determine award selection(s) resultant from this RFP in a manner it deems best-fit. Mesa further reserves the right to select any or no offers for award as a result of this RFP. Having the best price offered within an auction lot does not guarantee contract award.

Once award selection(s) have been determined, Polar will input any bidder awards within the Polaris RFx Platform and inform bidders how to determine provisional award status. Any notice of award conveyed by Polar or made through the Polaris RFx Platform is to be considered provisional and non-binding until having been directly confirmed by Mesa.

Contracting

Contract awards resultant from this RFP will be documented and supported by way of the Edison Electric Institute ("EEI") Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreement ("Agreement" or "EEI Agreement"). Mesa will directly engage with awarded bidder(s) to facilitate full execution of contract awards through established EEI Agreements between parties.

Enablement

In order to participate within the auction pricing events, all bidders must have either established EEI Agreements between their organizations and Mesa -or- have made substantial progress towards establishing such prior to the commencement of the auction events.

Bidders not yet enabled with Mesa must submit enablement requests via email to pc_operations@polarconsulting.com by no later than 4:00 PM MST on Friday, October 24, 2025.

Polar will facilitate the commencement of enablement activities between requesting bidders and Mesa, with a target to substantially complete such activities by or before **4:00 PM MST on Wednesday, November 12, 2025** to allow for bidder participation within the auction pricing events.

Bidders may contact Deb Ferraro of Mesa via email to <u>deborah.ferraro@mesaaz.gov</u> if there are any questions regarding enablement with Mesa.

City of Mesa General Terms, Requirements

Bidders must note any exceptions to the terms contained herein.



Governing Law, Forum

Any contract resulting from this RFP shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arizona. The exclusive forum selected for any proceeding or suit in law or equity arising from or incident to this Agreement shall be Maricopa County, Arizona (Sections 3.4, 3.5,10.6). As a political subdivision of the State of Arizona, Mesa is subject to the Arizona Public Records Law, and any provisions on confidentiality are limited to the extent necessary to comply with the law.

Notice of Arizona Revised Statutes

Bidder is hereby notified of the Arizona Revised Statutes set forth on the attached Exhibit 1, which may or may not apply in all instances but will be part of any contract with Mesa.

RFP Data Confidentiality

Mesa will take reasonable care and efforts to protect any claimed proprietary information contained in a proposal; provided that such information is clearly identified and marked as such by Bidder on the sections of the proposal for which the Bidder claims such protection. Also, Mesa or its consultants shall not release information submitted relative to this RFP during the evaluation process, except for the provision of information to Mesa's City Council during the proposal evaluation process.

NOTWITHSTANDING SUCH EFFORTS, BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT MESA IS A PUBLIC ENTITY, AND AS SUCH, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN STATUTORY AND REGULATORY MANDATES REGARDING DENIAL OF PUBLIC ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS IN ITS POSSESSION (A.R.S. § 39-121 et. seq.). REPRESENTATIONS MADE HEREIN REGARDING MESA'S EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROPOSAL CONTENTS DENOTED AS SUCH ARE SUBJECT TO ITS PUBLIC RECORDS ACCESS LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. AS SUCH, MESA, ITS GOVERNING BODY, MANAGEMENT, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR CONTRACTORS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE DISCLOSURE OF BIDDER'S CLAIMED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION DURING OR PRIOR TO THE SOLICITATION PROCESS EVEN IF MARKED CONFIDENTIAL.

Bidder shall preserve the records related to this RFP and reverse auction and any contract resulting from this RFP for five (5) years after completion of the contract. Mesa or its authorized agent reserves the right to inspect any such records related to the performance of work specified herein. Bidder shall permit such inspections and audits during normal business hours and upon reasonable notice.



Dodd Frank Reporting Requirements

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank Act") has instituted a data reporting regime with respect to certain transactions such as Swaps and Commodity Trade Options. The Dodd-Frank Act requires one of the parties to such transactions to serve as the "reporting party" or "reporting counterparty" as applicable. Bidder shall accept any obligations placed on the "reporting party" and/or the "reporting counterparty" by the Dodd-Frank Act. No successful bid will be awarded without an executed Reporting Letter Agreement or an agreement and indemnification between Mesa and Bidder that Bidder will not be participating in Swaps for the Supply Period on Mesa's behalf.

General Disclaimers

Mesa does not make any representation or warranty, express or implied, about the accuracy, completeness, or currentness of the information provided in this RFP or any related materials. Mesa has no obligation to update or correct any information and is not responsible for any errors, omissions, or the use of this information by any bidder. Each bidder is expected to perform its own review and analysis of all information related to this RFP and the associated auction events.

By submitting an offer, each bidder agrees that Mesa, its employees, officers, agents, and consultants will not be liable for any loss, cost, or claim arising from this RFP, the auction process, or the evaluation and selection of offers. Rejection of an offer will not create any claim or cause of action against Mesa or its representatives.

Mesa may, at its discretion, modify, suspend, or cancel this RFP or the related auction events at any time, and may accept or reject any offer, in whole or in part, for any reason, without incurring any liability. All costs associated with preparing and submitting an offer are the sole responsibility of the bidder.

All materials related to this RFP, including updates to the structure, format, or timing of the auction events, will be posted on the Mesa RFx webpage hosted on the Polaris RFx Platform. Mesa is not responsible for any consequences resulting from a bidder's use of outdated information. Bidders should check the Mesa RFx webpage regularly to ensure they are using the most current materials.



Exhibit 1 - Arizona Revised Statutes

Conflict of Interest

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-504, a current or former public officer or employee within the last twelve (12) months shall not represent another organization before Mesa on any matter for which the officer or employee was directly concerned and personally participated in during their service or employment or over which they had a substantial or material administrative discretion. Further, while employed by Mesa and for two (2) years thereafter, public officers or employees are prohibited from disclosing or using, without appropriate authorization, any confidential information acquired by such personnel in the course of his or her official duties for Mesa.

Termination for Conflict of Interest (A.R.S. § 38-511)

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, Mesa may cancel this Agreement within three (3) years after its execution, without penalty or further obligation, if any person significantly involved in initiating, securing, drafting, or creating the Agreement for Mesa becomes an employee or agent of Contractor.

Federal and State Immigration Laws

Bidder agrees to comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA) in performance under this Agreement and to permit Mesa or its agents to inspect applicable personnel records to verify such compliance. Bidder shall ensure and keep appropriate records to demonstrate that all Bidder personnel have a legal right to live and work in the United States. Under the provisions of A.R.S. § 41-4401, Bidder hereby warrants to Mesa that Bidder will comply with, and are contractually obligated to comply with, all Federal Immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees and A.R.S. § 23-214(A) (hereinafter "Bidder Immigration Warranty"). Bidder shall be deemed to have complied with the Bidder Immigration Warranty if Bidder establishes that it has complied with the employment verification provisions prescribed by sections 274A and 274B of the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act and the E-Verify requirements prescribed by A.R.S. § 23-214 (A).

Boycott of Israel

Per A.R.S. § 35-393, Bidder shall not engage in any boycott of Israel.