

Responses to Bidder Questions

##	Question	Response	Date Response Issued
1	Do all emails related to the RFP need to be encrypted or just submission of the proposal?	It is recommended that all emails related to the RFP be encrypted. Email submission of proposals must be encrypted; proposals sent without encryption will not be accepted. All communications and proposals should be sent to: AmerenIL_MDI_RFP@encolorconsulting.com .	
2	I am trying to register for the Ameren Supplier Diversity, per the session's recommendation.* On the supplier diversity page, it is asking for documents to indicate WMBE. What are acceptable document for a sole-proprietor?	<p>Certification validates that a business is owned, managed, operated and controlled by a diverse individual(s). Ameren IL accepts a wide range of certifications from local, state, or federal agencies. Certification agencies that Ameren IL works with directly are listed on the process page of the Ameren Supplier Diversity site: https://www.ameren.com/company/business-partners/suppliers/supplier-diversity/process.</p> <p>While third-party certification is required to register for Ameren's supplier diversity program, bidders are able to indicate if their business is owned, managed, operated, by diverse individuals in Section 9 of the Supplier Response Form. In addition, bidders can indicate the percentage of proposed budget that will be allocated to work performed by diverse businesses.</p>	9/26/2022
3	Are the lists of CBOs (community-based organizations) that MDI has partnered with publicly available? If so, can they be shared at this point?	<p>Organizations that Ameren IL is currently working through the MDI include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allison Walsh • BCMW Community Services • CCRPC • CEFS • CLEARresult • Clearfire • East Central Community Action Agency • Embarrass River Basin Agency • Illinois Black Chamber of Commerce • Illinois NAACP • Illinois Valley Economic Development Corp • Indoor Climate Research Training Center 	9/26/2022

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leidos • Minority Business Development Center • National Energy Foundation • Owens Design Group • Peoria Citizens Committee for Economic Opportunity • Peoria Guild of Black Artists • Resource Innovations • Sangamon County Department of Community Resources • SEDAC • SEEL • Senior Services Plus • Springfield Urban League • St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department • Tazewood Community Services • Wabash Area Development Incorporated • Walker Miller Energy Services 	
4	Would Ameren IL be willing to extend the deadline for submitting proposals?	Ameren IL has extended the deadline for submission of proposals from October 7, 2022, to October 14, 2022 .	
5	With extension of the deadline for submitting proposals, would Ameren IL be willing to extend the deadline for submitting questions?	Ameren IL has extended the deadline for submission of questions pertaining to the RFP from September 19, 2022, to September 26, 2022 .	

* This was discussed in a Technical Workshop for bidders on August 18, 2022 and in the Bidders Conference Call held on September 13, 2022. Please see amerenilliosavings.com/RFP for copies of the presentations from each of these sessions.