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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

## DEVELOPMENT OF A SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT AT MUNICIPALLY OWNED WELLFIELD IN AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

The purpose of this Request for Proposals ("RFP") is to seek proposals from qualified and experienced renewable energy Developers interested in implementing one renewable energy system which will guarantee electricity generation to supply renewable electricity to the Auburn Water District (AWD). The Developer will lease AWD land, to develop, own and operate solar energy array and enter into a long-term Alternative On-Bill Credit Purchase Agreement (AOBCPA) selling the energy output to the AWD. If more electricity is generated than is needed by the District, then this "surplus" energy may be sold to other non-District off-takers.

The AWD intends to lease District owned property for the installation of solar collectors, inverters, batteries and cabling for a solar array at their municipal wellfield site on 9A Pine Valley Drive. The lease term will be for a term of 20 years but the lease term may be extended for two consecutive five year terms.

The AWD will enter into a long term AOBCPA with the successful Developer. The agreement between the AWD and the selected solar developer will take the form of a standard contract involving the generation and purchase of the electricity generated by the installed solar system at a specified price, for a specific period of time.

The Selected Developer will be responsible for the interconnection study, permitting, and subsequent interconnection costs. The Selected Developer will construct, own and operate the solar energy project. The Selected Developer will retain all Solar Renewable Energy Certificates, Environmental Credits, Tax Credits, and other credits or grants derived from the solar energy project.

All communication regarding this RFP must be made in writing and directed to Greg Woods, Superintendent. Copies of the RFP will be available beginning on 1/25/2023 on the Auburn Water District website at https://www.auburnwater.com/forms-and-applications/ and at the District office 9AM – 2PM M-F. Proposals can be mailed to AWD PO Box 187, 75 Church Street, Auburn MA 01501 and are due March 3, 2023 by 11:00AM.