Clean Energy Alliance (CEA) desires to establish a Bid Evaluation Criteria Policy (Policy) that establishes a process for comparing bids to select the best offer to achieve the goals of CEA as identified in the Joint Powers Authority Agreement and adopted policies. This Policy also informs bidders about the goals of CEA and factors that will be considered in evaluating bids and proposals. This Policy, however, shall not be construed to limit the discretion of the Board of Directors in selecting bids or proposals or awarding contracts in the best interests of CEA.

CEA has identified the following evaluation criteria categories, for non-energy goods or services in excess of $100,000 requiring a formal bid, power purchase agreements with third parties and to the extent permitted by law, CEA owned generation projects:

- $ Value
- Innovation
- Development Risk
- Project Location
- Local Economic Benefit
- Environmental Stewardship
- Social Equity
- Local Job Growth
- Workforce Development

Projects will be ranked high, medium, low or neutral based as determined by applying the following criteria:

**$ Value:** Projects will be ranked based on the $ value as compared to other bids or proposals received and estimated costs in CEA financial pro forma

**Innovation**

- **High:** Project contains a novel, innovative, or otherwise meritorious concept, application, approach or method
- **Neutral:** Project does not contain a novel, innovative, or otherwise meritorious concept, application, approach or method

**Development Risk:** Projects will be ranked from high (good) to low (bad) based on:

- **Site Control**
- Interconnection status
- Environmental impacts
- Land use and permits
- Project financing
- Developer experience

**Project Location**

- **High:** In San Diego County and any additional area served by CEA
- **Medium:** Other areas within California
- **Low:** Out of state projects

**Local Economic Sustainability - Environmental Stewardship**

- **High:** Demonstrates *environmental benefits beyond the climate and GHG reduction benefits of renewable energy* multiple benefits (provides additional societal, health, economic, or environmental benefits beyond the climate and GHG reduction benefits of renewable energy)
- **Low:** Project does not demonstrate *local economic sustainability - environmental stewardship* as defined above

**Social Equity**

- **High:** Demonstrates societal, health, or economic benefits that address social equity
- **Low:** Project does not demonstrate social equity benefits as defined above

**Local Job Growth**

- **High:** *Employ* Creates new jobs that employ workers and uses businesses in San Diego County and any additional areas served by CEA
- **Medium:** Employs existing workers and uses businesses in San Diego County and any additional areas served by CEA
- **Low:** Employs workers and uses businesses outside San Diego County and any additional areas served by CEA

**Workforce Development**

- **High:** Employ workers from San Diego County and any additional areas served by CEA; utilize apprenticeship programs; follows fair compensation practices including proper assignment of work to crafts that traditionally perform the work
- **Low:** Does not demonstrate workforce development as defined above

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The evaluation criteria will be included in formal bid documents and requests for proposals, as appropriate.