NOTICE

Request for Proposals

Purchase or Lease of the Owens Corning Site 300 Somerdale Road, Gloucester Township, New Jersey for Purposes of Developing a Solar Project

The Township of Gloucester is seeking proposals from qualified firms for the purchase or lease of the Owens Corning site, located at 300 Somerdale Road in the Township of Gloucester, Camden County, New Jersey. The Township intends that the site be developed by a qualified bidder to develop a solar photovoltaic project for injection of power directly into the electric utility grid and/or for a net-metered energy project under a power purchase agreement ("PPA") with the Gloucester Township School District (the "District") to provide power to the Chews Elementary School located on an adjacent property to the Owens Corning Site.

The successful bidder will enter into a purchase and sale agreement for the property or a minimum 15-year Lease with the Township. Subject to acceptance of an alternate bid, the successful bidder will also enter into a 15-year PPA with the District. The Contractor shall be responsible for all costs associated with the development, financing, design, construction and permitting of the Project. The Contractor shall retain ownership of the System, as well as to the Solar Renewable Energy Certificates ("SRECs") generated by the System.

Bids must be accompanied by a Consent of Surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Township. The successful bidder is hereby notified that a performance bond for the full amount of this project is required.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting and site tour will be conducted on June 2, 2011 at 10:00 AM. Bids will be received, opened and read in public on July 1, 2011 at 1:00 PM at the Gloucester Township Municipal Building, 1261 Chews Landing Road, Laurel Springs, New Jersey 08021 in the Board Meeting Room.

Copies of the Request for Proposals ("RFP") documents may be obtained by contacting the Township of Gloucester at the address below:

Office of the Business Administrator Gloucester Township Municipal Building 1261 Chews Landing Road Laurel Springs, New Jersey 08021

Electronic copies of the RFP documents may be requested, at no charge, via email: <u>mstanger@blueskypower.com</u>.

This RFP seeks bids under the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12-1, *et seq.* (for purchase/lease of the property), and under the competitive bidding provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 18A:18A-1, *et seq.* (for the PPA). The Contractor awarded a contract pursuant to this RFP must comply with the requirements of the Local Lands and Buildings Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12-1, *et seq.*, and Public Schools Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A.* 18A:18A-1, and any other applicable statutes and regulations as set forth in the terms and conditions of the RFP.

Bids received after July 1, 2011 at 1:00 PM may not be considered, regardless of the circumstances under which the bid was made untimely. All bids received after said time shall be returned to the bidder unopened.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, Gloucester Township, New Jersey.

Tom Cardis Business Administrator