



## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### CUC-RFP-25-021

Independent Power Producer-Solar Photovoltaic with Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)  
for all Islands, CNMI

### **Question (RFI/C) No. 023: Del Benson**

Date: September 26, 2025

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CUC provides the following responses to the Request for Information/Clarification (RFI/C):

1. I have several questions it makes no sense to me that a project of a 125 million is rush. Not time for justice and trying to line up joint ventures. We didn't have time to create the joint venture corporate entities. This will create problems if there is not an extension for the bidding process and the structuring. It seems like someone has put a foot on then scales. I am formally requesting submission extension for an addition 30 days.

**CUC RESPONSE:** CUC acknowledges and appreciates the proponent's request for an extension to the proposal submission deadline. However, after careful consideration of the project's overall timeline and implementation schedule, **CUC must maintain the current submission deadline of October 30, 2025, as stated in the RFP.** This timeline has been established to ensure timely evaluation, selection, and award in alignment with CUC's project milestones and funding requirements. Proponents are therefore encouraged to proceed with their submissions to the best of their ability within the existing deadline. **For fairness to all prospective proponents, no proponent will be granted an extension.** Thank you for your understanding.

2. I am formally requesting the vendor entities to be adjusted and changed.

**CUC RESPONSE:** The business that registers for this project should be the same business that submits the proposal and negotiates with CUC, should the proposal reach the negotiation phase. Swapping out business entities is not encouraged.



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**\*\*\*END OF RFI/C Response No. 023\*\*\***