



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS #2019-076**  
**Energy Procurement and Consulting Services**  
**ADDENDUM #6**  
**September 13, 2019**

**QUESTIONS**

1. Is any hardware/equipment required for the net metering or is field verification expected as part of this process?

*ANSWER: The University expects that net metering equipment would be needed, but beyond that the consultant company should provide guidance on what additional verification is needed to ensure that the University is receiving all of the financial credit it is owed from the project.*

2. Who are the parties involved in the solar net energy billing? Is a 3rd party involved (i.e. owning the assets or something else)?

*ANSWER: It is likely that at least one third party would be involved as a developer, owner, maintenance party, or some combination of the three.*

3. Is UMS providing a shadow bill to the utility?

*ANSWER: The University would be looking to the consultant company to provide guidance on whether or not shadow billing is warranted.*

4. Are the solar PV installations owned by UMS and on campus land owned by UMS? How many are there and in what locations?

*ANSWER: The most significant solar installations are yet to be built. They could be a combination of on-campus and off-campus projects. There could be multiple projects built across the State.*

5. Is the net metering system already implemented; i.e. are you looking for the contractor to only oversee it, or implement it?

*ANSWER: The net metering system is not yet implemented.*



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6. Is there an on-site solar project that utilizes net metering to the utility? If yes, will the requested services be a periodic review of the utility billing? If no, is there a solar arrangement in place such as a PPA?

*ANSWER: The University envisions the primary task to be consulting and advisory services in support of the University for any or all solar projects that the University has already built or will build in the future that have net-metering and/or PPA implications.*

7. If no solar project exists, is the university looking for consulting and analysis on potential projects?

*ANSWER: Existing projects may be included, but potential/future projects will comprise the bulk of the consulting and analysis.*

8. Please provide clarification on what specifically is meant by Solar PV Net Energy Billing Credit Service. Can you provide bullet points describing what the service would include and/or how you envision the service being provided?

*ANSWER: The exact nature of the structure of future solar agreement(s) is not known at this time. Please see LD 1711 from the Maine Legislature for information about what types of agreements are possible under the new law.*