

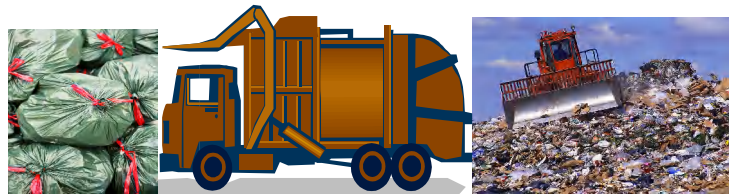


REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Questions & Answers

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SOLID WASTE TO ENERGY



An Opportunity to joint venture in the production of Energy using Municipal Solid Waste as the primary feedstock

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Info regarding solid waste.

1) **How many tons per day is available to be processed at the plant?**

Answer: The present daily collection for each site is contained in Section 1.7 on pages 11 to 24 of the document
“Supporting Information (pdf)”

For example: - Riverton now collects 1,200 - 1500 tons per day.

Here is a link to the document.

<http://www.pcj.com/Information%20Doc%20RFPWTE.pdf>

2) **Who currently controls the waste stream and what regulations are in place, if any to guarantee daily tonnage?**

Answer: Sections 1.5 to 1.7 provides answers to this question please access from the following link.

<http://www.pcj.com/Information%20Doc%20RFPWTE.pdf>

3) **Where is the waste currently going and are there other competing means of disposal?**

Answer: The waste is presently collected and taken to the disposal sites. Waste is collected by NSWMA and also by Private companies. They all take the waste to the Waste disposal sites indicated in the information document. These disposal sites are operated by NSWMA through its regional offices.

4) **What is the composition of the waste?**

Answer: Pages 19 to 24 of the “supporting information (pdf)” document provides Waste composition information

5) **What is the heat value of the waste?**

Answer: The heat value of the waste has not been evaluated

6) **Is the waste generated from public or industry?**

Answer: The waste is generated from Residential, Commercial and Industrial sources.

7) **Is there a bid process or subscription for residential and/or commercial waste flows?**

Answer: There is no bid process.

8) **Is there a local recycling program? If so what is recycled and in what Quantities?**

Answer: There is no Public sector recycling program in place at present, however, there are private sector companies and NGO's involved in the recovery of plastics and other materials for the purpose of export and recycling. .

> **Info regarding the location of the site for the plant.**

1) **Where are the sites located?**

Answer: Page 27 of the “Supporting Information” provides general indication of where the site will be located.

The Eastern Site will be located West of the existing Riverton Waste disposal site and North of the Soapberry Waste treatment Plant.

The proposed location for the site is twenty (20) acres of land which incorporates the following GPS coordinate.

18° 00' 35.00 N and 76° 52'.42” W

The Western site will be located west of the Retirement site

The proposed location for the site is twenty (20) acres of land which incorporates the following GPS coordinate.

18° 27' 05.77” N and 77° 54' 12.47” W

2) Is the land being made available by the NSWMA a part of the Government’s equity contribution to the Project?

Answer: The land will be made available by way of a long term lease.

3) **What are the dimensions and elevations of the property? Who owns the property?**

Answer: Twenty (20) acres of Land will be made available for the development at each site. The Land will be owned by Government of Jamaica but will be leased to the Joint Venture Company. The lands can be visited and viewed during the site visits planned for March 17 & 18, 2009.

4) **Is a connection to power currently available for the site?**

Answer: At the Eastern Site a 69 KV Electric Transmission line runs adjacent to the lands. The land is “Greenfield” and hence there is no power currently available on site.

At the Western Site there is no Power on the designated site as it is “Greenfield”. However adjacent facilities have electricity distribution supply.

5) Is potable water available?

Answer: Both sites are in close proximity to water sources; however there is no potable water on site.

6) Is the infrastructure in place to support transport of waste to/from facility?

Answer: There is no infrastructure on site as these sites are “greenfield”.

7) Are private homes/ other businesses in close proximity to the site?

Answer: The Eastern site is in close proximity to a modern sewage treatment facility.

The Western site is in close proximity to a Poultry Farm.

Economic Information.

1) How are garbage/trash fees collected? Does the community collect money to pay for the trash disposal through a city tax? or is there a separate fee paid directly to the trash hauler by each household?

Answer: Property taxes are used to provide funds for residential Garbage collection. However there are several private waste collectors who offer collection services for a fee.

2) What price does the municipality currently pay per ton to dispose of Waste? (Tipping fee)

Answer: The municipality operates the Disposal sites as well as the means of collection of domestic waste hence no tipping fees are paid for domestic waste (property tax would already have been charged to home owners). An administrative fee is payable for entry by haulers of waste that is non-domestic at all the authorized disposal sites operated by the NSWMA

3) What is the market price for each kilowatt hour of electricity?

Answer: **Section 1.4 Page 9** of the “Supporting Information” outlines the price that the Utility will pay for Electricity.

4) In the event that the Contractors are linked to the Applicant, can the applicable Performance Bond for this project be limited to the Governments 30% Interest?

Answer: No.

- 5) **For the purposes of scoping the financial Cost of the project, what kind of capital (Debt Equity) will be brought to the table by the Government? And at what is this cost.**

Answer: The capital requirement will be a function of the Technology proposed and proposals received. Section 1.8 of the Document “Information in support of Request for Proposal” outlines the “Proposed Framework for the Development”.

- 6) Can the Applicant bring Multilateral Agency financing to the project?

Answer: Yes.

General Questions

- 1) **The Proposal Letter is very onerous and seeks to bind the Proposer, prior to the complete disclosure or final negotiation of material information. Is there room for modification of this letter to an acceptable state without prejudice to the Proposer’s qualification?**

Answer: The proposal letter seeks to solicit from proposers, a proposal which is not tentative and to which they can commit.

- 2) **Is there a long term commitment for the supply of Municipal Waste?**

Answer: Pages 41 to 54 of the “Supporting Information” outlines the terms of a “Waste Supply Agreement”.

- 3) **The Draft Waste Supply Agreement is deficient in its proposed form. What are the avenues for it to be properly negotiated?**

Answer: The Draft Waste Supply agreement outlines the form of agreement that will be contemplated. The final agreement will be the outcome of negotiations.

- 4) **At what point is an Ash Disposal Agreement negotiated?**

Answer: An ash disposal agreement will be negotiated along with the other agreements when the successful proposer is chosen.

- 5) **Is there an agreed upon tipping fees?**

Answer: Section 1.8 on pages 25 to 27 of the “Supporting Information” outlines the “Proposed Framework for the Development”.

6) Will Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica commit to a flexible Power Purchase price?

Answer: The Power Purchase Agreement will be negotiated between the Joint Venture company and the Jamaica Public Service Company who is the local public utility company. The PCJ will have an interest in the Joint Venture Company but by itself will not be named as a party to the PPA.

Link to “Supporting Information (pdf)”

<http://www.pcj.com/Information%20Doc%20RFPWTE.pdf>

7) With whom and when can appointments be made regarding the proposed site visits of March 17 - 19, 2009?

Answer: A schedule and logistics for the site visits is placed on the PCJ website alongside the Request for Proposals.