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**REOI Recipients** 

FROM:

Kitty McIlroy, Project Manager KM

DATE:

June 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Addendum No. 6 to the Request for Expressions of Interest ("REOI") for Design, Build and Operate: Solar Installations on Municipal Solid Waste Property and Infrastructure AND/OR Systems for Beneficial Use of Landfill Gas for Mainly Small, Closed and/or Rural Landfills: Utilizing Standard or Mobile Turbines/Engines, Compressed Natural Gas/Renewable

Natural Gas and/or Power Purchase Services, dated March 22, 2024.

This Addendum No. 6 is to amend the REOI and answer additional Contractor questions (that are presented below verbatim).

Answers issued by written addenda will be binding on the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority ("Authority") and the Contractors, including the answers provided below.

As a reminder, the REOI Response due date is Monday, June 24, 2024 by 4:00 p.m. (local time).

Please note, Frederick County is providing additional clarification following their site visits on May 6, 2024. The potential landfill gas beneficial use project is not only for the heaters in the shop area, but the entire administration building as well. There are four additional roof-top units above the administration portion of the building in addition to the four units out in the shop area. Additionally, the viability of additional closed landfill acres being developed for solar applications has been investigated previously and Frederick County has concluded that it is not something they want to pursue at this time.

Additionally, the Authority is removing "Mount Vista Park" from the REOI, as the Authority and Baltimore County, after further review, believe that this site was previously farmland and is not a closed landfill.

Also, regarding the New Cut Landfill in Howard County, the Howard County Office of Community Sustainability issued its own procurement for potential additional solar array development at this closed landfill and is believed to be finalizing that procurement award at this point in time. Thus, it is not likely that Howard County will evaluate additional Responses under this REOI for potential additional solar development at this specific site, due to that specific procurement already having been conducted.

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Lastly, the term of the Master Service Agreement is revised to extend until June 30, 2030, with up to eight (8) five (5) year optional renewal terms. Accordingly, the language referenced in the REOI dated March 22, 2024 that states:

"The Contractor shall confirm mutual agreement, if awarded a Master Service Agreement, that the length of the term would begin on the execution date and extend until June 30, 2030. The Authority and Member Jurisdictions reserve the right, at their sole option, to renew the Agreement and applicable Confirmations for up to five (5) five (5) year optional renewal terms, on the same terms and conditions to be set forth in the Agreement and Confirmation"

shall be amended and replaced with the following language:

"The Contractor shall confirm mutual agreement, if awarded a Master Service Agreement, that the length of the term would begin on the execution date and extend until June 30, 2030. The Authority and Member Jurisdictions reserve the right, at their sole option, to renew the Agreement and applicable Confirmations for up to eight (8) five (5) year optional renewal terms, on the same terms and conditions to be set forth in the Agreement and Confirmation."

## 1) Question:

- 1. Western Sanitation Yard the coordinates posted are linked to a parcel which is a park (Cherry Hill park). Could you please clarify where the incinerator was/ where the city is looking to develop solar?
- 2. Northern Landfill The site still looks active, is it possible to get a remediation timeline or layouts of the remediation?
- 3. Reich's Ford Road Landfill the western part of the landfill has solar, is the eastern landfill (on contractor court) open to solar development?
- 4. Millennium Landfill Where will the Quarantine Road Landfill Expansion take place?
- 5. Hartford Waste Disposal Center Closed part of landfill is undevelopable per our criteria, is it possible to get a remediation timeline for the rest of the site?
- 6. Tollgate Landfill The document states that there is interest in rooftop solar. Is there any interest in solar on the capped landfill?

If it would be more effective to reach out directly to landowners/regulatory agencies that may have more information, I would really appreciate your guidance in connecting me with them.

### Answer:

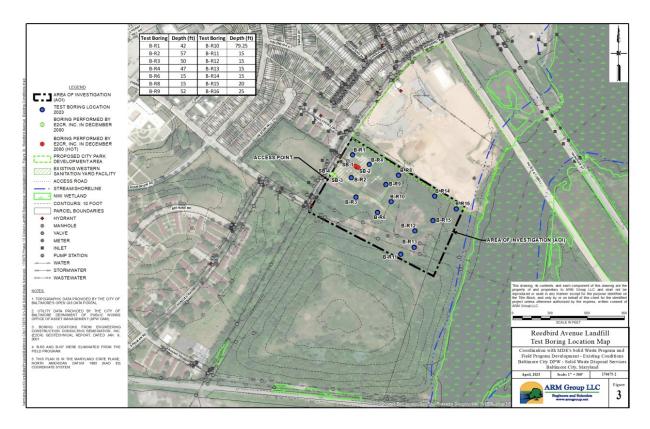
Since the Authority is managing this REOI, please do not contact landowners/regulatory agencies. Per the REOI, "After the submission deadline, the Authority and the Member Jurisdictions will review the Responses and decide whether clarification questions should be submitted to, or interviews should be conducted with, any or all of the Contractors to gain a clearer understanding of their capability." As needed, the Authority will coordinate with the landowners and/or regulatory agencies to further clarify or answer additional Contractor questions, during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award.

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In response to: "1. Western Sanitation Yard – the coordinates posted are linked to a parcel which is a park (Cherry Hill park). Could you please clarify where the incinerator was/where the city is looking to develop solar?" Please note that Western Sanitation Yard (located at 701 Reedbird Avenue Baltimore, MD 21225) is a Baltimore City public facility, also known as Southwest Citizens' Convenience Center and the REOI coordinates link to that facility, bordering Cherry Hill Park, which used to house an incinerator. Any property that is not needed for current and future solid waste operations is potentially available for solar development and or landfill gas beneficial use (if applicable). Existing property limits available for either type of project can be further determined during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award.

Below, please see the site map for the Western Sanitation Yard (located at 701 Reedbird Avenue Baltimore, MD 21225), also known as the Southwest Citizens' Convenience Center:



In response to "2. Northern Landfill – The site still looks active, is it possible to get a remediation timeline or layouts of the remediation?" Please note that this landfill is still active, and its feasibility for a project is more directly related to the landfill gas beneficial use portion of the REOI. The County did purchase a large parcel of surrounding land as contingency for its landfilling purposes, that may have potential for solar development; however, no determination has been made regarding such option. The Northern Landfill is not due for closure and capping for some time. Additionally, please note that Carroll County has no "remediation" activity at the Northern Landfill. In the Contractor's response, please clarify what is meant by "remediation." The Authority interprets this as meaning the

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closure and capping of the active landfill, which is not referred to as "remediation" in the solid waste industry, but as simply a "closure." The Northern Landfill will likely remain active for some time, especially if the additional parcel of land referenced above is utilized.

In response to "3. Reich's Ford Road Landfill - the western part of the landfill has solar, is the eastern landfill (on contractor court) open to solar development?" Please note at this time, and as noted above for the Frederick County Reich's Ford Road Landfill "viability of additional closed landfill acres being developed for solar applications has been investigated previously and Frederick County has concluded that it is not something they want to pursue at this time."

In response to "4. Millennium Landfill - Where will the Quarantine Road Landfill Expansion take place?" Please note, currently, the City is unable to publicly share the site plans for the Quarantine Road Landfill expansion. With the expansion, all current flat areas will become a part of the new cells, as they are planning a horizontal and vertical expansion. There would be sloped areas available for solar development, if it is feasible to do so.

In response to "5. Hartford Waste Disposal Center - Closed part of landfill is undevelopable per our criteria, is it possible to get a remediation timeline for the rest of the site?" Please note that the remaining portion of the Harford Waste Disposal Center will remain active and is not due for closure and capping for some time. The County has noted that the anticipated timeframe will be the year 2040 or later until the active portions of the Harford Waste Disposal Center landfill are filled and capped.

In response to "6. Tollgate Landfill - The document states that there is interest in rooftop solar. Is there any interest in solar on the capped landfill?" Please note that the County is interested in more than one potential use for the Tollgate Landfill and the rubble landfill located just across from it (not previously listed as a site in the REOI). The County is mainly interested in using both of these landfills for parking space for events, however, the County is interested in receiving Responses from Contractors related to the viability and benefits the County would see for the land (and rooftops) to be used for solar applications as well, either in conjunction with providing enough space for event parking and/or for full solar development without event parking space being reserved.

### 2) Question:

Can you provide details of the total amount of power generation currently available?

## Answer:

At this point in time, the Authority is not certain of the total power generation that could be potentially available. Please be sure to read through the landfill gas data already provided for each site (as available), and as previously listed in the REOI and its Addendum No. 3. To date, there are no other details on the total quality or quantity of gas present for each site than what has already been provided. Additional information may become available as the Authority, its Member Jurisdictions and Contractors participate in a more detailed exploration of potential feasible sites, during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award.

## 3) Question:

I wanted to ask about getting the site plans for the solar facilities that are already on the Parkton Landfill and Hernwood Landfill. Is it possible to get a plan that just shows where they are planning to build solar on these sites? It would be helpful to understand if there is any land not being used. Also, I wanted to ask if we could add exhibits to our proposal or would that be included in the 30-page limit of the narrative?

### Answer:

Baltimore County confirmed that the Parkton and Hernwood landfill solar plans are still undergoing a review and approval process by the County so they cannot yet be shared publicly. If/when they are able to be shared, the Authority will issue them in an Addendum or as part of the REOI Response Clarification process or REOI award and contract process with applicable Contractor(s). Baltimore County may have the approved and publicly available Parkton Landfill plans to share with applicable Contractors in June 2024. To date, Hernwood Landfill plans have not yet been finalized. As such, Baltimore County is not able to share such information at this point in time.

In response to the second part of the question above, Contractors may submit exhibits as attachments to their Responses, and those exhibits will not count toward the 30-page limit.

### 4) Question:

Could you please provide me the following information for the Quarantine Road Landfill:

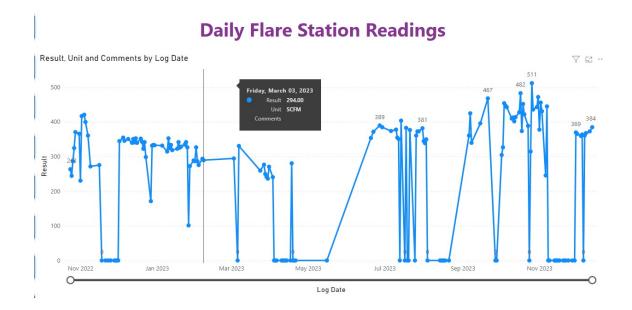
- LandGEM
- Any recent gas quantity readings
- Gas quality data, if available

Can you also double check the methane concentrations and gas flows at the Reich's Ford landfill. 24% methane is very low for an active landfill. Is this site mostly C&D?

The other active landfill, Alpha Ridge, is likely too small for RNG. Can you confirm the annual waste tonnage acceptance rate?

### Answer:

Regarding Quarantine Road Landfill, the most recent reading of the gas quantity still indicates the typical ranges between 250 SCFM and 500 SCFM and the system routinely indicates sending the methane between 55% to 60% to the United States Coast Guard. Please also see the following Daily Flare Station Readings for Quarantine Road Landfill:



Regarding Reich's Ford Landfill, Frederick County transfers out the majority of its waste to disposal facilities outside of the County, which is why it has such low concentrations of methane. The 24% methane is correct for this landfill, and it is NOT mostly construction and demolition waste ("C&D"). Per Addendum No. 3, Question #15: "As the County put mechanisms in place to comply with the Maryland Department of the Environment's new landfill gas regulations, it is anticipated that the County will see potentially a small increase in gas flow approaching 50 s.c.f.m," while "gas flows are gradually decreasing as the County takes in 8,000 to 9,000 tons per year."

Regarding the Alpha Ridge Landfill, the annual landfill rate was about 250 tons last year and about 415 tons the year before, as most of Howard County waste is transferred to a landfill outside of the County.

## 5) Question:

For any of the sites that are listed that are interested in putting solar on the roof, providing the age and any infrastructure details of the roof would be greatly appreciated.

#### Answer:

The age and infrastructure details of roofs at Member Jurisdiction sites for potential solar will be provided at a later date. Additional information will likely be provided, as the Authority, its Member Jurisdictions and Contractors participate in a more detailed exploration of potential feasible sites, during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award.

Baltimore County notes that they do not have any plans and/or have not identified any applicable rooftop solar locations, based on a recent audit performed. However, Baltimore County notes that the Central Acceptance Facility Material Recovery Facility ("MRF") may undergo a complete renovation or replacement under a separate project so there may be potential opportunity for solar development

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on a new roof at that point in time. The existing MRF uses a lot of energy for its ongoing operations, so there is believed to be a potential need for a solar installation to power the facility.

Harford County has noted that most of the Harford County roofs at applicable designated sites in the REOI are currently 30 years old or older.

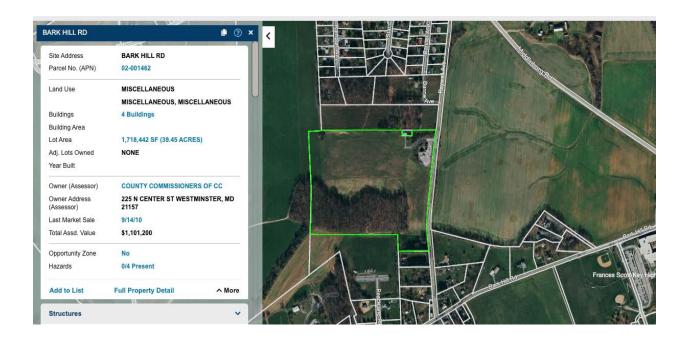
## 6) Question:

For the John Ownings Landfill what 15-20 clear acres is the county thinking would be usefull for solar. Also does the county own the southern site along John owings as well and would they have interest in developing solar there if so? See attached.

Additionally is the Bark Hill Landfill Road site parcel 02-001462, I have also attached a photo of the site for confirmation.



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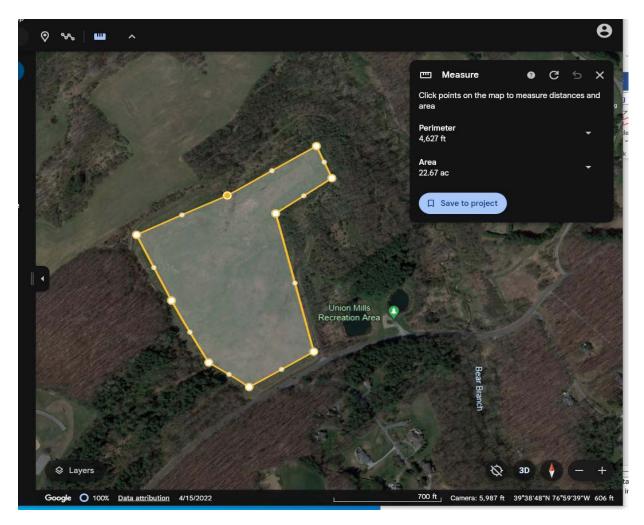


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### Answer:

Regarding the John Ownings Landfill, the County believes there is approximately 20-22 cleared acres of land available for a potential solar project. Additionally, regarding the southern site along/outside of the John Owings Landfill, the Authority and County have no information on this additional acreage outlined in the third from the top aerial photo above; however, the County will look into this internally and provide additional information, if available, during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award.

For further reference, please see the below aerial photo, displaying the cleared available land (~22.67 acres) of the John Ownings Landfill, for potential solar development:



Lastly, regarding the Bark Hill Landfill site parcel 02-001462, as long as the site is part of the closed Bark Hill Landfill footprint and is owned by the County, then the County is interested in potential solar projects at that site. The County believes this site is part of the Bark Hill Landfill at this point in time

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and will further clarify during the Clarification Request and Response process and/or after Contractor award. More specifically, for a solar project, the Contractor would need to determine if forested area is protected. Otherwise, the majority of the cleared area would be available.

# 7) Question:

Will the Authority accept expressions of interest from companies that were not directly contacted based on the Authority's preliminary research to identify potentially viable companies to provide these Services?

#### Answer:

Yes, absolutely. The Authority and its Member Jurisdictions encourage any and all interested, capable and qualified Contractors to submit Responses to this REOI.

### 8) Question:

Can we get clarification of what the below means? Are you requesting references for projects on landfills on which there was both solar AND gas to energy?

"The Contractor will also be required to provide a summary and references of prior experience working in conjunction with other land uses at the same sites, such as solar generation projects at landfill gas to energy sites, for consideration by the Authority/Member Jurisdictions before a solar project is approved."

# Answer:

No, we are requesting references for applicable landfill gas to energy projects and/or solar projects, depending on the Contractor's specific background and experience. Contractors are not obligated to respond to both landfill gas to energy AND solar projects nor have experience in both.

Please note, on Page 7 of the REOI, the following sentence:

"The Contractor will also be required to provide a summary and references of prior experience working in conjunction with other land uses at the same sites, such as solar generation projects at landfill gas to energy sites, for consideration by the Authority/Member Jurisdictions before a solar project is approved"

is to be replaced with:

"The Contractor will also be required to provide a summary and references of prior experience working on solar generation projects and/or landfill gas to energy/beneficial use projects, for consideration by the Authority/Member Jurisdictions before the proposed project is approved."

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### **Additional Information**

The Authority is providing the following information from The Maryland Clean Energy Center (MCEC). MCEC may issue a similar or related Request for Information, to the recent one listed below. The Authority believes this information may be relevant and/or act as a resource for interested Contractors for the Authority's REOI.

MCEC had an open Request for Information (RFI) which seeks to gather information regarding the potential use of State funds to implement the priorities outlined in Maryland's Climate Solutions Now Act and associated Climate Pollution Reduction Plan, the Clean Energy Jobs Act and Clean Energy Future package and leverage federal financing from the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Loan Programs Office (LPO).

Responses were due no later than 5:00 PM EST Monday, April 15, 2024, via the <u>online submission form</u>. As a green bank and corporate instrumentality of the State of Maryland, MCEC advances the adoption of clean energy and energy efficiency products, services, and technologies. Serving as a Maryland State Energy Financing Institution (SEFI), MCEC may partner with project and program developers to leverage private capital to help homeowners, businesses, and government entities reduce energy costs.

Through responses to the RFI, MCEC is hoping to identify specific project and investment opportunities that could benefit from targeted state and federal investment, and to better understand the amount and types of financing needed to reach the state's clean energy deployment goals. Respondents may broadly comment on the types of projects state funding could support in order to leverage DOE LPO financing for implementation, in addition to how MCEC should collaborate with other entities in the state and or the region; including but not limited to tribes, municipalities, and/or community-based organizations; to coordinate planning and action in its use of State of Maryland funds.

View the pre-submittal conference <u>recording</u>, <u>presentation</u>, and <u>Q&A transcript</u> for additional information.

The <u>Maryland Clean Energy Center</u> was created to fund and facilitate a clean energy future. To fulfill its mission MCEC offers procurement and technical support for project development, provides access to capital, engages in consumer education, and fosters climate tech innovation to advance the adoption of clean energy and energy efficiency products, services and technologies.

Please see the 2024 Legislative Session of the Maryland General Assembly Report, provided by MCEC:

The 446th Legislative Session of the Maryland General Assembly was successful, with Maryland's 188 State Representatives celebrating Sine Die. Legislators introduced and reviewed nearly 3,500 pieces of legislation, including the budget bills. They focused on supporting the administration through challenging budget restraints, addressing transportation funding, and implementing policies of the Department of Juvenile Services, state attorneys, and law

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enforcement. Additionally, measures were taken to support the environment and mitigate climate change.

MCEC staff monitored 87 (50 cross-files) pieces of legislation relevant to their mission and the adoption of clean energy products, services, and technologies. Twenty-four energy-related bills passed their chamber of origination, the opposing chamber, were returned passed and presented to the Governor for his signature. Seventy (30 Cross-files) failed due to sponsor withdrawal, unfavorable reports by the assigned committee, or remaining in the assigned committee. Ten cross-filed bills that failed were companions to legislation that passed.

The passing of <u>SB0528 - Climate Solutions Now Act (CSNA) of 2022</u> required numerous reports to be presented to the legislature by the end of 2023. These reports influenced assembly members to introduce legislation addressing climate mitigation solutions to meet the State's ambitious greenhouse gas reduction goals. The Governor announced the transfer of \$90M from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund (SEIF) in the FY 2025 budget to support the administration's climate agenda. The funding includes at least 50% to uplift communities historically overburdened and underserved and will be used for three initiatives:

- \$17 million to purchase and lease electric school buses for the state's public school systems
- \$23 million to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure in low and moderate-income communities
- \$50 million to electrify hospitals, schools, multi-family housing and community buildings

MCEC staff identified four common themes among the energy-related legislation during the 2024 legislative session: Building Energy Performance Standards and Environmental Justice, Finance and Innovation, Regulation, Renewable Energy, Utilities, and Transportation. MCEC observed bills promoting regulation, renewable energy, and utilities moving more frequently throughout the process. Advanced clean energy, energy efficiency, the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, climate action, and environmental relief remain vital in supporting the goals of the CSNA.

### **END OF SESSION SUMMARY**

- The Climate Solutions Now Act of 2022 mandated reports due at the end of 2023, prompting legislation addressing climate mitigation goals
- Building Performance Standards provided a repeated theme, but more legislation remains in committee than ones that passed
- Electric vehicle and EV Infrastructure legislation passed
- Finance and Innovation are critical in addressing the climate mitigation goals of Maryland
- Multiple pieces of legislation address Environmental Justice issues, with many remaining in committee
- Workforce Development is key in providing support for the advanced energy economy

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- · Several bills addressed concerns in the renewable energy sector
- Legislation must pass both chambers and return to the chamber of origination to be presented to the Governor for his signature and become law by midnight on Sine Die

View the complete list of legislation at mdcleanenergy.org/policywatch2024.

#### PASSED LEGISLATION:

#### BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

- <u>SB0258</u> / HB0130 Department of General Services State Buildings and Facilities -Energy Conservation and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions
- <u>SB1033</u> / <u>HB0926</u> Maryland Building Performance Standards Local Requests for Guidance - Religious Considerations
- <u>HB990</u> Environment Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions Manufacturers

#### FINANCE AND INNOVATION

- <u>SB0171</u> / <u>HB0139</u> Landlord and Tenant Office of Home Energy Programs Financial Assistance
- SB0808 / HB1466 Anaerobic Digestion Technology Coordination and Guidance
- SB0960 / HB1220 Maryland Clean Energy Center Climate Technology Founder's Fund
- HB1393 Electric System Planning Scope and Funding

## REGULATION, RENEWABLE ENERGY, & UTILITIES

- <u>SB0001</u> / HB0269 Electricity and Gas Retail Supply Regulation and Consumer Protection
- SB0206 / HB0216 Condominiums Common Elements Clean Energy Equipment
- <u>SB0337</u> / <u>HB0323</u> Environment Commission on Climate Change Membership Addition
- SB0345 / HB0344 Transportation Vision Zero Advisory Commission Establishment
- SB0474 / HB0597 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Related Approvals - Definition of Generating Station (Critical Infrastructure Streamlining Act of 2024)
- SB0532 / HB0468 Commission to Advance Lithium-Ion Battery Safety in Maryland
- SB0536 / HB0680 Environment Nuclear Power Plants Emergency Preparedness (Radiation and Emergency Preparedness and Protection Act)
- <u>SB0570</u> / <u>HB0397</u> Public Utilities Thermal Energy Network Systems Authorization and Establishment (Working for Accessible Renewable Maryland Thermal Heat (WARMTH) Act)

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- <u>SB0783</u> / HB1435 Renewable Energy Net Energy Metering Aggregation, Solar Renewable Energy Credits, and Taxes on Solar Energy Generating Systems (Brighter Tomorrow Act)
- HB0864 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plans
- HB0882 / SB0651 Business Regulation Sale of Motor Fuel Pricing Signage (Gas Price Gauging Act)
- <u>HB1296</u> / SB1161 Electricity Offshore Wind Projects Alterations

#### TRANSPORTATION & WORKFORCE

- SB0298 State Board of Electricians Licensing Penalties
- <u>SB0465</u> / <u>HB0159</u> Common Ownership Communities Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment (Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Act of 2024)
- SB0951 / HB1028 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Workgroup
- SB0959 / HB1256 Electricity Tariffs, Distributed Energy Resources, and Electric Distribution System Support Services (Distributed Renewable Integration and Vehicle Electrification (DRIVE) Act)
- HB0437 / SB0553 Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council -Membership

Additionally, the Authority would like to share new information from The U.S. EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP), including new resources from their program and information about a recent webinar hosted by RMI, a nonprofit working with businesses, policymakers, communities and nongovernmental organizations to cut greenhouse gas emissions at least 50 percent by 2030. The Authority believes this information may be relevant and/or act as a resource for interested Contractors for the Authority's REOI.

LMOP recently published "Considering Environmental Justice in Landfill Gas Energy Project Development". This new fact sheet provides basic information about environmental justice (EJ) and the data available in LMOP's national map including layers for national demographics and Tribal lands. The fact sheet also includes specific actions that can be taken to effectively engage with communities that have potential EJ concerns and links to additional resources.

LMOP also created a complementary "Using the LMOP National Map" webpage that provides instructions for how LMOP's map could be used when considering potential EJ concerns during landfill gas energy project planning and development. The page covers basic map functionality, details about the EJ demographic indicators and indexes, suggested search criteria and example map results.

LMOP presented <u>"Environmental Justice and the Landfill Gas Energy Industry"</u> at the Solid Waste Association of North America's SOAR (Sustainability. Operations. Action. Resources.) event on April 16, 2024, in Phoenix, Arizona. They discussed the above new resources and provided a demonstration of using the LMOP map.

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**Curbing Waste Sector Methane Emissions:** 

LMOP's Klara Zimmerman was one of several speakers during RMI's April 11, 2024 webinar, "Local Strategies to Curb Waste Sector Methane Emissions & Benefit Communities", which also featured keynote speaker Gina McCarthy, RMI's Tom Frankiewicz and four panelists from local governments. Klara presented briefly on LMOP activities and resources plus updates for two EPA grant programs.

Local governments have many options to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while benefitting their communities, e.g., food recovery, composting programs, stronger landfill methane controls. Speakers shared key strategies and lessons learned from their own experiences in reducing local methane emissions. The webinar also provided information about resources and funding opportunities to support local governments.

For further information or questions about LMOP visit the <u>LMOP website</u>.

LMOP also recently shared information about a funding opportunity under EPA's Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants program. Please note that LMOP (or the Authority) is not affiliated with the review and selection process for this program.

The Community Change Grants program announced a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for approximately \$2 billion in Inflation Reduction Act funds to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects to reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience and build community capacity.

The entities eligible to apply under this NOFO are:

- A partnership between two community-based non-profit organizations (CBOs).
- A partnership between a CBO and one of the following:
  - o a Federally-Recognized Tribe
  - o a local government
  - o an institution of higher education.

Application packages must be submitted on or before November 21, 2024 at 11:59 PM [ET] through Grants.gov. The Lead Applicant will need to register in Grants.gov or SAM.gov at least one month prior to submittal to ensure the registration is finalized in time to apply. EPA will review applications on a rolling basis. Questions must be sent to <a href="https://cccgp.gov.ncbe/cccgp

Please refer to EPA's Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grants Program webpage at <a href="mailto:epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program">epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program</a> for more details including the NOFO and frequently asked questions.