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Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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California Energy Commission

Re: Docket No: 20-ALT-01

1516 Ninth Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Clean Transportation Workforce and Equity – IDEAL ZEV Workforce Pilot Concept

Dear California Energy Commission (CEC) and Clean Transportation Program Staff:

LER TechForce appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft concept for the ZEV Workforce Pilot Concept. We are a full-service engineering resources company serving the automotive and transportation industry for the last twenty (20) years, also a certified Women Business Enterprise (WBE). We have a vested interest in the development of the ZEV industry workforce, thus potentially submitting a proposal to this solicitation. As such, we have some questions listed below.

Intellectual Property/Rights

1. For curriculum/materials that have been developed/enhanced *prior to* grant funding, what kind of protection does the applicant have from competitors potentially copying/redistribute such curriculum?
2. Referring to the Draft Pre-Solicitation Concept document, p. 15, Section 17-(5), it states the project should be “*replicable in other regions and ZEV markets in the state*”. Does this mean CEC retains the rights to replicate/redistribute the training (if the funding is used to develop new curriculum)? If so, for how long?

Metrics/Employment

3. Is there a timeframe requirement on time elapsed between training completion and employment?
4. Are there specific tools or State Workforce Development agencies that the CEC prefers to be utilized? Are there certain requirements on employment targets, i.e. certain number of jobs created/retained?

Partner/Community Engagement

5. Is there a minimum number of partners required?
6. Are we allowed to partner with entities that has a national presence, that may not have a presence in the State of CA?

Once again, LER TechForce appreciates the opportunity to comment and engage with the CEC staff on this exciting initiative. We look forward to future dialogue.

Sincerely,



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