Request for Partners

Demonstrating the Performance of Heat Pump Water Heating in Multifamily Properties

Questions and Answers

1. Is funding limited to new construction only or can it be used for retrofit projects?
   
   As specified in section 7.2 of the RFP, the DC Housing Authority will identify multifamily properties and install the equipment.

2. Is DOEE looking for partner(s) to implement a single project, i.e., one large multifamily property?
   
   DOEE is seeking a partner to provide the outputs and deliverable specified in Section 7.3 of the RFP.

3. Does DOEE expect partner(s) to expend $140K on one property? The NOFA/RFP indicates applicants may submit an application for more than one project, but they must submit a separate proposal for each project. This seems to effectively cut out smaller properties.
   
   The grant funding associated with this RFP is contingent upon DOEE’s receipt of the maximum award of $1,000,000 from DOE. Up to $140,000 of those funds are available to provide the outputs and deliverables specified in Section 7.3.

4. Is the funding limited only to heat pumps for H₂O (description indicates Heat Pump Water Heating in Multifamily Properties”) or is it possible to use funding for heat pump HVAC systems?
   
   DOEE is seeking partners to support a pilot of Heat Pump Water Heaters.

5. Is DOEE currently in negotiation for the DOE funding? It appears, from the NOFA/RFP wording, that DOEE may have already applied for funding, but it has not yet been awarded.
   
   DOEE has not yet been selected for funding from DOE, and Projects will only be funded if DOEE receives a grant for this work from DOE. More details on the DOE Funding Opportunity Announcement area available at: https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/

6. Did you include specific partners in your proposal to DOE or would applicants be included as potential partners in your DOE submission?
DOEE has not yet submitted its application to DOE and selected partners would be included in that application as described in section 7.2 of the RFP.

7. Does the property(ies) in which heat pumps will be installed need to be identified in the proposal? If not, can the applicant propose several potential properties versus submitting different proposals for each potential property?

The applicant does not need to specify properties.