

**WAC 480-107-007 Definitions.** "**Affiliate**" means a person or corporation that meets the definition of an "affiliated interest" in RCW 80.16.010.

"**All-source RFP**" means an RFP that solicits and accepts bids from any resource capable of meeting all or part of the resource need outlined in the utility's solicitation documents.

"**Bid**" means bidder's document containing a description of a project and other information responsive to the requirements set forth in an RFP. If a bid contains multiple projects, each individual project will be considered as a separate bid.

"**Bidder**" means an individual, association, corporation, or other legal entity that can enter into a power or conservation contract with the utility to fill a resource need or portion thereof.

"**Commission**" means the Washington utilities and transportation commission.

"**Conservation and efficiency resources**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Customer benefit indicator**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Demand response**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Equitable distribution**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Highly impacted community**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Independent evaluator**" means a third party, not affiliated with the utility, that provides, at a minimum, evaluations as required in these rules.

"**Independent power producers**" means an entity other than a utility or its subsidiary or affiliate that develops or owns generating facilities or portions thereof that are not qualifying facilities as defined in WAC 480-106-007.

"**Integrated resource plan**" or "**IRP**" means the filing made by a utility in accordance with WAC 480-100-625.

"**Lowest reasonable cost**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Qualifying facilities**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-106-007.

"**Renewable resource**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Repowering**" means a rebuild or refurbishment, including fuel source changes, of a utility-owned generator or generation facility that is required due to the generator or facility reaching the end of its useful life or useful reasonable economic life. The rebuild or refurbishment does not constitute repowering if it is part of routine major maintenance, existing hydroelectric licensing obligations, or the maintenance of or replacement of equipment that does not materially affect the expected physical or economical life of the generator or generation facility.

"**Request for proposals**" or "**RFP**" means the documents describing a utility's solicitation of bids for delivering a resource need.

"**Resource**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Resource need**" has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

"**Resource supplier**" means a third-party supplier, utility or affiliate that provides electric power, equipment or services that serve a resource need.

**"Subsidiary"** means any company in which the utility owns directly or indirectly five percent or more of the voting securities, and that may enter a power or conservation contract with that electric utility. A company is not a subsidiary if the utility can demonstrate that it does not control that company.

**"Targeted RFP"** means an RFP that solicits and accepts bids for certain types or locations of resources (including, for example, demand response, conservation and efficiency resources) capable of meeting all or part of the utility's specific resource need.

**"Utility"** means an electrical company as defined by RCW 80.04.010.

**"Vulnerable populations"** has the same meaning as defined in WAC 480-100-605.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, and chapters 80.28, 19.280, and 19.405 RCW. WSR 21-02-023 (Docket UE-190837, General Order R-602), § 480-107-007, filed 12/28/20, effective 12/31/20. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040, 80.04.160, and 34.05.220. WSR 19-13-031 (Docket U-161024, General Order R-597), § 480-107-007, filed 6/12/19, effective 7/13/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 80.01.040 and 80.04.160. WSR 06-08-025 (Docket No. UE-030423, General Order No. R-530), § 480-107-007, filed 3/28/06, effective 4/28/06.]