

Question 41: (translated from French)

- a) If our exploratory study report proposes a possible date of initial energizing of the wind farm the earliest in 2014, is it still possible to guarantee commencement dates of deliveries in 2012 and/or 2013 for that project ?
- b) In the event we propose a variant (with an different installed capacity or a different price based on a different voltage level at which the project could be connected to Hydro-Quebec's integrated system) for which we have not asked for an exploratory study, is it possible to guarantee commencement dates of deliveries in 2012, 2013 and 2014?

Answer 41:

- a) It is possible. However, at step 1 of the bid evaluation process, Hydro-Québec TransÉnergie will re-evaluate, among the dates offered, the ones for which the requested initial energizing can be met. If the situation has not changed in terms of integration scenario, the bids related to the years 2012 and 2013 will be rejected at this stage. That being said, Hydro-Québec Distribution encourages bidders to offer as many guaranteed commencement dates of deliveries as possible in order to increase their chances of being retained.
- b) It is possible. The completion of an exploratory study is an optional step for the bidder and Hydro-Québec Distribution encourages bidders to offer as many guaranteed dates of deliveries as possible in order to increase their chances of being retained.