1. Could MCE please provide further clarification on the type of licenses and certifications they are interested in? For example, does this relate to hardware certification such as UL and CSA standards, or certification relating to the proponents ability to do business within MCE’s service territory?

Provide any licenses and certifications that demonstrate you can meet the minimum requirements, as well as any others that you believe are relevant to the RFQ.

2. Can you confirm whether any other questions have been submitted and the answers to those questions?

All questions and answers submitted to this RFQ will be made publicly available.

3. What documents of relevant certifications and licenses are required, if any? Ex. OCPP

Ideally, you could provide a link to a website(s) that demonstrates your certifications. If not, please attach the appropriate documentation to your RFQ submission.

4. [Our] software works with over 16 hardware partners, giving customers 50+ station choices. Is it ok to just list our most popular hardware vendors and models?

For all vendors, please only provide the top EVSE packages – hardware + software – that meets the minimum requirements. We also recommend considering the cost of your EVSE package. While there are no requirements on project cost, MCE does work with price sensitive customers.

5. Per [our] terms and conditions and privacy policy we prefer not to provide information for all clients from the past two years, since this includes both residential and commercial customers as well information tied to contract amount. Can we provide our top three or five references in its place with client name, project description, location, and contact information? *This will include a workplace and multi-unit dwelling as requested in the RFQ.

We encourage submissions to provide an overarching performance statement of their work over the past 2 years. A list of all clients isn’t necessary although it would be helpful to see a list of clients that are germane to this RFQ, work in MCE’s service area, and with workplaces & multi-unit dwellings. You can provide 3-5 references in place of a longer client list.

6. [We are] currently on MCE’s approved vendor list (and PG&E’s). Is a response to this RFQ required to maintain status of approved vendor?
All vendors currently approved in MCE’s program must respond to this RFQ in order to maintain the status of an approved vendor.

MCE’s approved vendor list will be refreshed after the first deadline of this RFQ on January 21.

7. We would like to submit new packages (new EVSE HW) – do we need to resubmit for equipment that is already approved?

All vendors, even those already approved, will need to reply to this RFQ for existing and new packages.

8. Section II “Project Background” of the RFQ states that the goal of the program is “to expand EV charging access for workplace and multi-family properties in MCE’s territory.” However, Section V. “Minimum Qualifications” has a requirement for the charger to comply with California Division of Measurement Standards (“DMS”) Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems Specifications. Are you referring to the DMS requirements for publicly accessible charging stations, commonly referred to as Title 4?

Yes

9. Are you doing anything in private fleet charging? For instance Marin Transit is looking to add some buses this year.

Public and private fleets that are MCE customers are qualified in this program as a workplace.

10. Will there be any preference for SBE/DBE/WBE spending?

No

11. Does MCE procure design/permitting services for solar carport projects or will the EVSE provider do so?

No, this RFQ is for EVSE providers. Any added value services, like solar carports, would come from EVSE providers.