



Request for Proposals (RFP) Announcement

In support of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Battery Workforce Initiative (BWI), KBC Energy Solutions LLC (KBC) is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for participation in the BWI Pilot Training Project.

The purpose of this Pilot Training Project (PTP) is to engage members of the U.S. Lithium-Ion advanced-battery manufacturing sector to implement, test and evaluate one draft workforce training curriculum developed by the BWI in the specific occupation of Machine Operator. The BWI plans to support up to six separate PTP's that will test the draft curriculum with actual workforce members in a delivered training environment. The selected PTP participants will provide feedback and evaluation of the curriculum materials to assist the BWI in moving the curriculum from draft to final. The BWI will support each PTP by providing the selected awardees with the curriculum, training materials and financial resources to defray the cost of the training and evaluations.

Technical and financial support will be provided in accordance with a subcontract negotiated between the PTP awardee and KBC. KBC is the designated DOE National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) contractor supporting the BWI.

Applicants must meet the following qualifications:

1. Applicants must be US Companies with a U.S.-based Li-Battery manufacturing, material processing or recycling facility with existing Machine Operator occupations.
2. Applicants must have such a facility operating at scale or an operating scale-like pilot-facility. The facility must have a minimum of 25 employees, and it must have been in operation for at least six months at the time of application.

If your company meets the qualifications and would like to submit a proposal for this opportunity, please contact KBC at RFP@kbcenergysolutions.com by **Friday April 26, 2024, 5:00 PM EDT**. In your response, briefly confirm how your company meets the qualifications and state that you are interested in receiving the RFP and supporting documentation. KBC will then send an email to the qualified, interested applicants. That email will contain a password and directions on how to download the RFP and supporting documents along with the deadline and instructions for submitting the application.

Thank you for your interest. If you have any questions concerning getting an RFP, please contact KBC at RFP@kbcenergysolutions.com before **Friday, April 26, 2024**.

