



**Request for Proposal for  
Vendor Mgt. for Third Party Monitoring Refresh\_9-  
20\_BC**

**Date of Release: September 01, 2020**

## 1. General Information

### 1.1. Request for Proposal (RFP) Objective

The objective of ERCOT in this procurement is to identify and contract with a qualified Respondent to monitor the security hygiene of third party entities. ERCOT defines a third party entity as any external organization maintaining a business relationship with ERCOT or seeking to do so. The purpose of this service is to gather and monitor possible indicators of compromise (e.g. abnormal traffic patterns, signs of unpatched software, press releases, etc.) impacting a third party entity. This information can give us valuable information and possible lead time to address our relationship with said third parties before they can become a cyber security issue for ERCOT.

Electric Reliability Council of Texas will be using Scout RFP to manage the submission process for this RFP. **To participate in this event, you will need to create your free supplier account with Scout per the following link <https://go.scoutrfp.com/rfps/public/132692>.** Once registered, you can view request details and ask questions (via Scout's message center) to Electric Reliability Council of Texas within the Scout platform. You will also be able to invite additional team members to collaborate, and submit your Bid.

#### Contract Term

ERCOT intends to award a contract resulting from this solicitation for a 1 year term but will review multi-year options if it provides additional value.

### 1.2. ERCOT Point of Contact

The sole point of contact for inquiries concerning this RFP is:

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All communications relating to this RFP must be directed to the specified ERCOT Point of Contact. All other communications between a Respondent and ERCOT staff concerning this RFP are prohibited. Failure to comply with this section may result in ERCOT's disqualification of the proposal.

### 1.3. Procurement Timeline

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RFP Release Date	September 01, 2020
Optional Notice of Intent to Propose Due	September 07, 2020
Respondent Questions Due	September 10, 2020
Response to Respondent Questions Sent	September 15, 2020
Respondent Proposals Due	September 22, 2020
Respondent Presentations (if needed)	October 2020
Anticipated Contract Award	TBD
Anticipated Contract Start Date	TBD