

Greece: SPP Kozani got five bidders

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In the PPC Renewables' tender for awarding contracts for the construction of several solar power plants in Kozani in northern Greece, with combined installed capacity of 200 MW, five bidders, including local and foreign companies, have participated.

This is a part of a larger project which includes the construction of solar parks in Kozani with total power output of 230 MW. Estimated cost of the project is 130 million euros, of which 110 million is related to 200 MW tender. PPC Renewables will announce tender winners at a later date.

In May, PPC Renewables, a renewable energy arm of Greek state-controlled Public Power Corporation (PPC), has decided to award two contracts for the construction of 15 MW solar power plants in Kozani to METKA, a part of Mytilineos Group, and Terna. The two solar power plants will be built on the site of depleted lignite mines of the parent company and their construction should start this summer. The solar power plant to be built by METKA will be equipped with its own substation and stationary mounts holding solar panels in a fixed position, with estimated costs of just under 10 million euros. The other solar project, which will be developed by Terna, will also be equipped with its own substation but, instead of fixed-position panels, will feature solar trackers, orienting panels toward the sun. The project's cost is around 11.5 million euros.

In related news, PPC Renewables plans to launch a tender for the construction of 50 MW solar power plant in Megalopoli by the end of the month. The company will not seek fixed tariffs through RES auctions for this facility. Instead it will be operated based on target model rules, through direct power purchase agreements (PPAs).