

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	12924	Agenda Number	20.
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Meeting Date:	March 8, 2012
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with A & B ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. for priority and regulated pollutant analyses for Austin Energy Lab Services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$79,695, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$79,695 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$318,780.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$46,489 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining five months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid of five bids received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Dolores Castillo, Sr. Buyer/322-6466
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide testing services of water, soil, and sludge samples for various pollutants as required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Required testing services look for levels of restricted or toxic chemicals such as Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB's), petroleum hydrocarbons and microbial compounds which might be present in samples obtained from electric utility worksites. These tests help determine the proper method for remediating or disposal of the affected material. Austin Energy Laboratory Services currently performs some of this testing, however with construction work at the former Holly Street Power Plant and Seaholm Redevelopment sites, an outside contract is required to augment Lab work allowing for quick performance of this service as required by regulatory authorities.

MBE/WBE solicited: 11/12

MBE/WBE bid: 0/1

BID TABULATION
DKC0079REBID
Priority and Regulated Pollutant Analyses
61 Line Items

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
A&B Environmental Services, Inc. Houston, TX	\$ 79,695.00
Alamo Analytical Laboratories, LTD (MWDB) San Antonio, TX	\$ 82,910.00
Test America Laboratories, Inc. Houston, TX	\$ 94,850.00
Ana-Lab Corporation Kilgore, TX	\$189,840.00
LCRA Laboratory Services Austin, TX	\$192,817.50

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competitions.
- b. Two hundred twenty-five notices were sent including 11 MBEs and 12 WBEs. Five bids were received, including one WBE with no response from the MBE s.
- c. This is the first long term agreement of this type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid.

- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy/s recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.