

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	21722	Agenda Number	7.
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Meeting Date:	February 14, 2013
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Department:	Contract Management
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Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with BIS TEPSCO, INC. for the installation of Chilled Water Piping Construction in the Right-of-Way in an amount of \$2,573,269, with an optional 12-month extension for a not-to-exceed amount of \$5,146,538.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,573,269 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the optional 12-month extension is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest responsive bid of two bids received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	James Matlock 322-6273; Jeff Vice 322-6087; Toye Goodson-Collins 322-6450; April Shaw 974-7141.
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 8.32% MBE and 19.31% WBE subcontractor participation.
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Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy (AE) owns and operates approximately 10 miles of chilled water transmission and distribution piping in Downtown Austin and at Mueller. AE also provides operation and maintenance services for the Domain chilled water transmission and distribution loop which is approximately three miles long. All the lines are fed by four plants, two in the downtown area (the Paul Robbins Plant and District Cooling Plant # 2) and one each at Mueller and the Domain. In all, AE provides chilled water services to approximately 60 customers within the City of Austin via its transmission and distribution pipelines.

This project will provide construction services for additions, extensions and retrofits to existing transmission and distribution piping systems with the objective of increasing system load and/or improving overall operation, efficiency and reliability. The construction service projects may include, but are not limited to installation of underground chilled water distribution piping to retail stores or high rise condominiums, and connection and extension of AE's chilled water transmission systems. This project will be managed by Austin Energy.

BIS Tepsco. Inc. is located in Deer Park, TX.