

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

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| <b>Austin City Council</b>  | <b>Item ID:</b>  | 29085 | <b>Agenda Number</b> | 45. |
| <b>Meeting Date:</b>  | December 12, 2013  |       |                      |     |
| <b>Department:</b>  | Purchasing   |       |                      |     |
| <b>Subject</b>  |  |       |                      |     |
| Authorize negotiation and execution of a supply contract with TBEA USA CORPORATION, for the purchase of 362kV voltage transformers to be installed at Austin Energy's Lost Pines Substation in an amount not to exceed \$157,500. |  |       |                      |     |
| <b>Amount and Source of Funding</b>   |  |       |                      |     |
| Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.  |  |       |                      |     |
| <b>Fiscal Note</b>  |  |       |                      |     |
| There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.   |  |       |                      |     |
| <b>Purchasing Language:</b>   | Lowest bid received.   |       |                      |     |
| <b>Prior Council Action:</b>  | █  |       |                      |     |
| <b>For More Information:</b>  | Paige McDonald, Buyer II /512-322-6118   |       |                      |     |
| <b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>  | November 18, 2013 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission.   |       |                      |     |
| <b>Related Items:</b>   |  |       |                      |     |
| <b>MBE / WBE:</b>   | This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9D (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation. |       |                      |     |

**Additional Backup Information**

This contract is for the one-time purchase of nine voltage transformers for Austin Energy. Voltage transformers convert high transmission voltages to lower utilization voltages so revenue meters, protective relays, and other control devices can function properly. Voltage transformers provide an excellent reproduction of both transient and steady-state voltage measurements necessary to operate metering, protection, and control equipment. The number of voltage transformers at each substation depends on the size and location of the particular substation.

These items will be replacement voltage transformers to be installed at Austin Energy's Lost Pines Substation.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**  
 IFB No. MPM0001  
 362kV Voltage Transformers  
 (1 – line item, qty. 9)

| <b><u>Vendor</u></b>                        | <b><u>Unit Price</u></b> | <b><u>Total Bid Amount</u></b> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| TBEA USA Corporation<br>Pasadena, CA        | \$17,500.00              | \$157,500.00                   |
| MVA Power, Inc.<br>Montreal, Quebec, Canada | \$19,481.40              | \$175,332.60                   |
| Power Supply, Inc.<br>Austin, TX            | \$24,650.00              | \$221,850.00                   |
| Apfelbaum Industrial, Inc.<br>El Paso, TX   | \$24,975.00              | \$224,775.00                   |
| KBS Electrical Distributors<br>Austin, TX   | \$30,413.00              | \$273,717.00                   |
| Priester-Mell & Nicholson<br>Austin, TX     | \$31,000.00              | \$279,000.00                   |
| Alstom Grid, Inc.<br>Waynesboro, GA         | \$36,335.00              | \$327,015.00                   |

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred, sixty-five notices were sent including five MBEs and three WBEs. Seven bids were received, with no response from the MBE /WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.