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Recommendation for Council Action				
Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34267	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014		Department:	Austin Energy
Subject				
Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 20130909-001, to decrease the Austin Energy Operating Fund Ending Balance by \$600,000 and increase the operating expenses by \$600,000 to provide additional funding for the voluntary utility assistance Plus-One program.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$600,000 is available from the ending balance of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	September 09, 2013 - Approved the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy, Ordinance No. 20130909-001.			
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Ann Little, Sr. Vice President, Finance and Corporate Services (512) 322-6148; Jawana (J.J.) Gutierrez, Vice President, Customer Care (512) 322-6596.			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>Austin Energy is seeking approval of this budget amendment to provide additional appropriations and related funding sources for the Voluntary Utility Assistance Plus-One program which provides financial assistance to qualifying low-income customers for help with their utility costs. The Plus-One program combines funding donated by City of Austin customers through an election on their utility bill with funding from Austin Energy and funding from the Community Benefit Charge. Austin Energy provides \$300,000 to this program each fiscal year. This amendment will provide an additional \$600,000 in funding from the Community Benefit Charge, specifically from the Customer Assistance Program, which is included in Austin Energy's operating fund balance.</p>				

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Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34266	Agenda Number <ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014	Department:	Austin Energy
Subject			
<p>Approve an ordinance amending the Austin Energy Strategic Reserve Fund of Ordinance No. 20130909-001 by increasing transfers in from the Austin Energy Operating Fund in the amount of \$30,000,000; and amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 20130909-001 to increase transfers out to the Austin Energy Strategic Reserve Fund in the same amount to increase the Strategic Reserve Fund Contingency balance in order to move closer to financial policy compliance for reserves.</p>			
Amount and Source of Funding			
<p>Funding in the amount of \$30,000,000 is available from the ending balance of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.</p>			
Fiscal Note			
<p>A fiscal note is attached.</p>			
Purchasing Language:			
Prior Council Action:	September 9, 2013 - Approved the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy, Ordinance No. 20130909-001.		
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Ann Little, Sr. Vice President, Finance and Corporate Services (512) 322-6148.		
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.		
MBE / WBE:			
Related Items:			
Additional Backup Information			
<p>Austin Energy (AE) is seeking approval of this budget amendment to transfer cash resources from the Operating Fund to the Strategic Reserve Fund to move closer to complying with financial policies for adequate reserves.</p> <p>In order to ensure financial stability, AE implemented in FY 2012-13 its first base rate increase and restructuring of rates in over 18 years. AE's goal was to keep rates affordable while ensuring the continued financial health of the utility.</p> <p>Restructuring of long-term outstanding debt occurred in early FY 2013 when AE sold bonds in the financial market and was upgraded by Standard & Poor's from A+ to AA- with a Stable outlook. This restructuring saved AE over \$40 million in debt service payments during the fiscal year. The restructuring combined with tighter controls on spending and more adequate recovery of costs through the new rates allowed AE to finish the year with a positive cash balance that will enable the requested transfer to the Strategic Reserve Fund.</p>			

AE is currently not in compliance with financial policies regarding reserves. The contingency portion of the Strategic Reserve should have a minimum of 60 days of operations and maintenance costs less fuel and purchased power. The reserve currently is short of meeting this requirement by over \$50 million. This budget amendment will move AE closer to meeting this financial policy minimum and continue to strengthen the financial health of the utility.

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Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34283	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
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Meeting Date:	8/7/2014	Department:	Austin Energy
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with AISD Performing Arts Center, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd., Austin, Texas 78723, for an estimated \$9,077 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$90,766 over a 10-year period.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$9,077 is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Danielle Murray, Manager, Solar Program (512) 322-6055.
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.
MBE / WBE:	

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy requests authorization to enter into an agreement with AISD Performing Arts Center, to provide a performance-based incentive (PBI) for an estimated \$9,077 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$90,766 over the 10-year period, for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd., Austin, Texas 78723.

The total installation cost is \$143,686 and the incentive will cover between 55% and 63% of the cost. The PBI level for this project is \$0.10 per kWh for 10 years. The solar equipment, which meets Austin Energy program requirements, includes a total of 252 solar modules rated at 240 watts and associated inverters rated at 97.5% efficiency. A total of 47 kW-AC in demand savings is expected.

This energy improvement will save an estimated 78,927 kWh per year—enough to provide electricity to 7 average Austin homes for a year—and produce an estimated 79 Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) per year. These savings are equivalent to the planting of 1,218 trees or 61 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 106408 vehicle miles or 9 cars from Austin roadways. This project will save 52 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO₂); 66 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂); 73 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x); and 51 pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere, and 35,517 gallons of water at the generation power plant.

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Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting		Item ID	34299	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014		Department:	Austin Energy	
Subject					
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with PSW, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 2501 Thornton Road, Austin, Texas 78704, for an estimated \$26,914 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$269,137 over a 10-year period.</p>					
Amount and Source of Funding					
<p>Funding in the amount of \$26,914 is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.</p>					
Fiscal Note					
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Danielle Murray, Manager, Solar Program (512) 322-6055.				
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.				
MBE / WBE:					
Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					
<p>Austin Energy requests authorization to enter into an agreement with PSW, to provide a performance-based incentive (PBI) for an estimated \$26,914 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$269,137 over the 10-year period for the generation of solar energy at its apartment facility located at 2501 Thornton Road, Austin, Texas 78704.</p> <p>The total installation cost is \$776,314 and the incentive will cover between 30% and 35% of the cost. The PBI level for this project is \$0.10 per kWh for 10 years. The solar equipment, which meets Austin Energy program requirements, includes a total of 756 solar modules rated at 260 watts and associated inverters rated at 96% efficiency. A total of 151 kW-AC in demand savings is expected.</p> <p>This energy improvement will save an estimated 234,032 kWh per year—enough to provide electricity to 21 average Austin homes for a year—and produce an estimated 234 Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) per year. These savings are equivalent to the planting of 3,610 trees or 181 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 315,518 vehicle miles or 27 cars from Austin roadways. This project will save 155 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO₂); 195 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂); 216 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x); and 150 pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere, and 105,314 gallons of water at the generation power plant.</p>					

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Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34301	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
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Meeting Date:	8/7/2014	Department:	Austin Energy
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Lakeway Floors, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 911 Ranch Road 620 N., Austin, Texas 78734, for an estimated \$11,449 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$114,488 over a 10-year period.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$11,449 is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

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


Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Danielle Murray, Manager, Solar Program (512) 322-6055.
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy requests authorization to enter into an agreement with Lakeway Floors, to provide a performance-based incentive (PBI) for an estimated \$11,449 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$114,488 over the 10-year period for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 911 Ranch Road 620 N., Austin, Texas 78734.

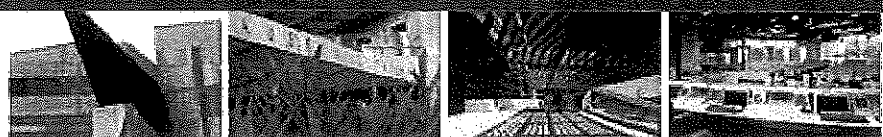
The total installation cost is \$250,000 and the incentive will cover between 40% and 46% of the cost. The PBI level for this project is \$0.10 per kWh for 10 years. The solar equipment, which meets Austin Energy program requirements, includes a total of 232 solar modules rated at 345 watts and associated inverters rated at 96% efficiency. A total of 62 kW-AC in demand savings is expected.

This energy improvement will save an estimated 99,555 kWh per year—enough to provide electricity to nine average Austin homes for a year—and produce an estimated 100 Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) per year. These savings are equivalent to the planting of 1,536 trees or 77 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 134218 vehicle miles or 11 cars from Austin roadways. This project will save 66 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO₂); 83 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂); 92 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x); and 64 pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere, and 44,800 gallons of water at the generation power plant.

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Recommendation for Council Action				
Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34310	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014		Department:	Austin Energy
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with General Motors, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 717 E. Parmer Lane, Austin, Texas 78753, for an estimated \$38,054 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$380,537 over a 10-year period.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$38,054 is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	<p>Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Danielle Murray, Manager, Solar Program (512) 322-6055.</p>			
Boards and Commission Action:	<p>To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.</p>			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>Austin Energy requests authorization to enter into an agreement with General Motors, to provide a performance-based incentive (PBI) for an estimated \$38,054 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$380,537 over the 10-year period for the generation of solar energy at its IT Innovation Center facility located at 717 E. Parmer Lane, Austin, Texas 78753.</p> <p>The total installation cost is \$720,200 and the incentive will cover between 46% and 53% of the cost. The PBI level for this project is \$0.10 per kWh for 10 years. The solar equipment, which meets Austin Energy program requirements, includes a total of 1040 solar modules rated at 250 watts and associated inverters rated at 96% efficiency. A total of 200 kW-AC in demand savings is expected.</p> <p>This energy improvement will save an estimated 330,902 kWh per year—enough to provide electricity to 29 average Austin homes for a year—and produce an estimated 331 Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) per year. These savings</p>				

are equivalent to the planting of 5105 trees or 255 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 446,116 vehicle miles or 38 cars from Austin roadways. This project will save 219 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO₂); 276 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂); 305 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x); and 212 pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere, and 148,906 gallons of water at the generation power plant.

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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34311	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
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Meeting Date:	8/7/2014	Department:	Austin Energy
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with General Motors, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 7401 E. Ben White Blvd., Bldg. 3, Austin, Texas 78741, for an estimated \$38,020 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$380,202 over a 10-year period.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$38,020 is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

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


Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Danielle Murray, Manager, Solar Program (512) 322-6055.
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.
MBE / WBE:	

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy requests authorization to enter into an agreement with General Motors, to provide a performance-based incentive (PBI) for an estimated \$38,020 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$380,202 over the 10-year period for the generation of solar energy at its data and call center facility located at 7401 E. Ben White Blvd., Bldg. 3, Austin, Texas 78741.

The total installation cost is \$66,8200 and the incentive will cover between 49% and 57% of the cost. The PBI level for this project is \$0.10 per kWh for 10 years. The solar equipment, which meets Austin Energy program requirements, includes a total of 1,040 solar modules rated at 250 watts and associated inverters rated at 96% efficiency. A total of 200 kW-AC in demand savings is expected.

This energy improvement will save an estimated 330,610 kWh per year—enough to provide electricity to 29 average Austin homes for a year—and produce an estimated 331 Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) per year. These savings are equivalent to the planting of 5,100 trees or 255 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 44,5723 vehicle miles or 38 cars from Austin roadways. This project will save 219 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO2); 276 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO2); 305 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NOX); and 212 pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere, and 148,775 gallons of water at the generation power plant.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)				
Austin City Council	Item ID:	33738	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with OSISOFT, LLC, for the purchase and implementation of an enterprise wide process information software license in support and management of Austin Energy's critical systems in an amount not to exceed \$1,847,099 with 60 months maintenance and support services following implementation completion in an amount not to exceed \$1,652,900, for a total amount not to exceed \$3,499,999.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$1,847,099 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Jim Howard, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-322-6307			
Boards and Commission Action:	6/16/14 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.			
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
This contract with OSISOFT LLC, San Leandro, CA is for the acquisition and implementation of an enterprise wide process information (PI) license including maintenance support. This software is currently used at System Control Center (SCC), Backup Control Center (BUCC), Sand Hill Energy Center, Decker Creek Power Station, Town Lake Center, Downtown District Cooling Plant No. 2, Mueller Energy Center, Domain Plant and Downtown District Cooling Plant No. 1. The software provides the capability to collect and process data such as temperature, pressure, load percent available, and equipment usage status, and to communicate this data between Austin Energy's facilities. It allows for storage of the data for two years, a requirement for insurance and regulatory purposes. In addition, this software allows management to utilize the near real time data from the				

power plants to troubleshoot and optimize generation assets at these locations. OSIsoft software has proven to be very beneficial when analyzing critical system events that occur on the Austin Energy electric grid. The OSIsoft software has also been used in Texas Reliability Entity audits, investigating market issues and ensuring regulatory compliance.

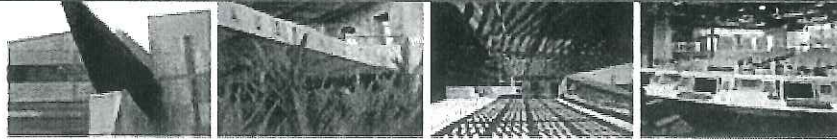
The purpose of this contract is to procure an enterprise license to use OSIsoft PI server and client licenses throughout Austin Energy (to be deployed at the minimum to the following: Energy Management System (EMS), Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) system, Power plants and Chilled Water plant systems. This license will address the growth and change issues in Austin Energy's current system. The contract will also be providing support services such as installation/upgrade support, support to identify/design new uses of PI at Austin Energy, technical support for problem resolution, and training.

Failure to upgrade will prevent the SCADA/EMS from historizing real-time telemetry data, preventing AE from analyzing critical system events. AE personnel are trained using this software and are Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on operations developed using this software.

OSIsoft, LLC is the sole developer and service supporter of the proprietary PI software and does not permit outsourcing of these products and services through third-parties. OSIsoft, LLC is the sole owner of the PI software source code. Expansion and upgrades of the existing system can only be accomplished through OSIsoft LLC. Therefore, OSIsoft, LLC is the sole source provider of the products and services to be provided under this contract.

The original purchase for this software product was as a pass through on a contract signed with ABB, Inc. in July 2001. A separate purchase was approved as a Sole Source in April 2009.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34138	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of a 36-month supply contract with ALAMO DISTRIBUTION, LLC, for the purchase of steel reinforcing bar for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$393,903, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$131,301 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$787,806.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$21,884 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 34 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	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				
<p>This contract is for the purchase of various lengths, gauges, and configurations of steel reinforcing bar (rebar) to be purchased on an as-needed basis. Rebar is used as a tensioning device in the construction of concrete and masonry structures. By itself, concrete is a material that is very strong in compression, but relatively weak in tension. To compensate for this imbalance in concrete's behavior, rebar is cast into it in order to carry tensile loads. This combination allows for concrete to be made into almost any shape and size. Austin Energy will use the rebar for various projects including construction of foundations for pad-mounted transformers and transmission equipment.</p> <p>The raw materials used by the contractor are approximately 97% recycled steel scrap, approximately 87% of which is sourced from facilities within 500 miles of their mill.</p>				

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0011
Steel Reinforcing Bar
(25 – line items)

Vendor

Alamo Distribution, LLC
San Antonio, TX

Total Bid Amount

\$131,301.00

KBS Electrical Distributors, Inc.
Austin, TX

\$168,494.35

Note: A complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Sixty-five notices were sent including three MBEs and three WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 2.9% decrease to the last purchase made in December 2011.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. Alamo Distribution, LLC. is the current provider of these goods.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34241	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of 72-month service contracts with AFFILIATED POWER SERVICES LP, PRO SERV INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTORS, LLC, and TEI CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC., or another qualified offeror to RFP No. MLG0024REBID, for maintenance and repair services for the heat recovery steam generator at Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 each and combined.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$222,222 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 72 months of the contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated proposals.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Gage Loots, Supervising Senior Buyer, 512-322-6251			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.			
Additional Backup Information				
<p>This contract will provide specialized maintenance and repair services for the heat recovery steam generator at Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center. The heat recovery steam generator is a boiler which uses gas turbine exhaust to produce steam used to drive the steam turbine.</p>				
<p>These services include planned and emergency maintenance. The pool of contractors will furnish the labor and supervision, equipment, tools, parts and supplies necessary to support maintenance and repair of the heat recovery steam generator. Multiple contractors are needed to assure timely response and expertise. Contractors will submit a work plan, schedule and pricing for individual projects, and the contractor offering the lowest price who is available to perform within the required timeline will be awarded the work for the specific project.</p>				

An Austin Energy evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the proposals and unanimously chose these proposals as the best to provide these services. Evaluation criteria used to evaluate the proposals include solution and program to accomplish work, cost, personnel qualifications, experience, responsiveness to terms and conditions, and local business presence.

This request allows for the development of an agreement three qualified offerors that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified offeror and authorize contract negotiations with this provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Two hundred, eighty-nine notices were sent, including three MBEs and three WBEs. Nine proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated proposals. This is the first contract of its type. It is being initiated due to the specialization of these services and need for prompt reaction for emergency repairs as well as routine maintenance.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34251	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 2 to a requirements service contract with POWER SYSTEMS MFG., LLC., for a long term maintenance agreement for Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center's gas turbine and generator unit # 5, to increase the contract authorization in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$39,937,248.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Contract Amendment.			
Prior Council Action:	July 28, 2011 - Approved original contract; June 14, 2012 - Approved Amendment 1.			
For More Information:	Nicole Turner, Senior Buyer, 512-322-6586.			
Boards and Commission Action:	July 21, 2014 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (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				
<p>This contract was awarded in August 2011 as a competitive procurement for a long term maintenance contract and remote monitoring for the 7FA+e gas turbine and associated generator on the combined cycle unit # 5 at Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center. The 7FA+e is a General Electric industrial gas turbine which requires regular maintenance throughout engine life to ensure reliability and equipment safety. This contract covers required planned maintenance for the gas turbine and the associated generator including disassembly, installation, inspection, repair of major parts, and replacement of major parts which have reached the end of service life. It also includes corrective maintenance as required for all components of the combined cycle unit and facilitates Austin Energy's access to parts and services to minimize forced outage duration.</p>				

Amendment No. 1 was executed in April 2012 to increase the contract authorization by \$9,000,000 for the emergency repair of combined cycle unit # 5 based on a Critical Business Need. Those repairs needed to be issued immediately to return the unit to service in time for peak summer season. The proposed Amendment No. 2 will increase funding for these services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000. The additional spending authority in this request is to:

- Upgrade the 7FA to improve the fuel efficiency and capacity of the combined cycle unit
- Replace 7FA spare capital parts that will reach end of life
- Increased 7FA maintenance costs due to changes in ERCOT market conditions which require more start cycles for the 7FA. This shift in the 7FA unit operating profile (more starts) results in increased wear and tear on turbine parts.

The additional funding is requested now so that required parts can be ordered in Fall 2014 to arrive in time for the gas turbine upgrade which is expected to be completed in Spring 2015.

The additional authority represents approximately a 25.05% increase to the current contract amount. In accordance with Senate Bill 7 as adopted by the City of Austin as Resolution No. 040610-02, Austin Energy contracts may be increased in excess of the 25% limit required by Chapter 252 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Contract Summary

Action	Description	Amount
Original Contract awarded 08/22/2011	Original 84-month contract	\$22,937,248.
Amendment No. 1	Increase to contract per Critical Business Need.	\$9,000,000.
Amendment No. 2	Approve an increase to the current contract period in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000	\$8,000,000.
Total Revised Contract Amount		\$39,937,248.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34252	Agenda Number	<ITEM OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of a 24-month service contract with DRIESSEN WATER INC, for the purchase of chemical regeneration services of ion exchange resin for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$83,200, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$41,600 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$249,600.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$6,400 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 22 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Sole bid received.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	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				
<p>This contract is for the purchase of services needed to chemically regenerate ion exchange resin at Austin Energy power plants. The chemical regeneration of ion resin is performed to remove captured minerals from resin used to produce high purity water used in power production equipment. After the ion resin is regenerated, it can once again be used to remove minerals from water. The resin produces water of the required purity and quality necessary for steam production for the generation of electricity.</p>				
MBE /WBE solicited: 10/5		MBE /WBE bid: 0/0		

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0014
Chemical Regeneration of Ion Exchange Resin
(1 -- line item)

Vendor
Driessen Water Inc.
Austin, TX

Total Bid Amount
\$41,600.00

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole Bid. This is a very specialized service with only one known provider in the Austin area. Previous purchases for these services were done utilizing a Single-Source exemption.
- b. Two hundred and six notices were sent including ten MBEs and five WBEs. One bid was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This service is not on any existing contracts; however, the pricing offered is the same as the last purchases made in 2012.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34253	Agenda Number	<ITEM OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of 36-month contracts for the rental of off-site storage units for various City departments with LAMAR STORAGE LTD, in an amount not to exceed \$211,980 with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$70,660 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$423,960; and with ALL MY SONS MOVING & STORAGE OF AUSTIN, INC., in an amount not to exceed \$76,800, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$25,600 each, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$153,600. The annual amount for all rentals of off-site storage units will be for a total each and combined amount not to exceed \$96,260.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$16,043 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budgets of various City departments. Funding for the remaining 34 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated bids received.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (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 rental of off-site storage facilities for various City of Austin departments. The contract allows for rental of multiple sizes of storage units, including climate control, secure access and delivery access 24 hours a day. City departments use these off-site units for various purposes such as storage of various program materials used for educational activities including posters, banners, large portable displays, brochures, promotional materials, furniture and other facility-related items such as repair and maintenance supplies, tools and carts.

The primary users of this contract will be Austin Energy, the Austin Convention Center, and the Parks and Recreation Department.

The city was divided into two geographic sectors for this solicitation to ensure shorter drives for department personnel in need of storage facilities. Lamar Storage LTD has locations in the Southwest quadrant of the City, whereas All My Sons Moving and Storage of Austin is located in the Northeast quadrant.

In order to determine the best-value to the City, evaluation criteria included cost, location of facility, and local business presence. The evaluation team chose Lamar Storage LTD and All My Sons Moving & Storage of Austin as the overall best-value to the City based on these criteria for each of their respective sectors.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB-BV No. MPM0002REBID – Southwest Quadrant
Off-Site Storage
(6 – line items)

Vendor

Lamar Storage LTD.
Austin, TX

Total Bid Amount

\$70,660.00*

IFB-BV No. MPM0002REBID – Northeast Quadrant
Off-Site Storage
(4 – line items)

Vendor

All My Sons Moving & Storage
Pflugerville, TX

Total Bid Amount

\$25,600.00*

*These annual amounts include a contingency amount set forth in the solicitation for use by City departments as necessary. A \$16,000 contingency was included for the Southwest quadrant and a \$10,000 contingency for the Northeast quadrant.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Thirty-four notices were sent including three WBEs. There are no known MBEs for this commodity. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 12.8% increase to the last purchase made in June 2009. This increase is based on increases in the price of storage units and wages as supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated bids received. Lamar Storage LTD. is the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet and in the Austin American Statesman.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34261	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation, execution and award of a 12-month requirements service contract with OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CENTERS OF THE SOUTHWEST PA DBA CONCENTRA MEDICAL CENTERS, or the other qualified Offeror to RFQS No. OPJ0001, for a medical surveillance program for Austin Energy and Austin Resource Recovery, in an amount not to exceed \$32,000, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$32,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$160,000.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$3,000 is available in the Austin Energy's Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget and \$5,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Resource Recovery. Funding for the remaining nine months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated qualifications statement.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Oralia Jones, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-322-6594			
Boards and Commission Action:	<p>July 9, 2014 - Approved by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission on 6-0 vote; Commissioner Mariel absent.</p> <p>July 21, 2014 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.</p>			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	<p>The contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; however, Concentra Medical Centers proposed subcontracting opportunities.</p>			
Additional Backup Information				

This contract will provide a medical surveillance program for Austin Energy and Austin Resource Recovery. The program will be conducted by qualified and experienced medical personnel for applicants and employees potentially exposed to levels of hazardous materials, respiratory contaminants, noise and other occupational health-related conditions at or above the Permissible Exposure Limit as set forth by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

The contractor will conduct medical evaluations for Austin Resource Recovery's commercially licensed drivers to determine each driver's physical ability to operate a commercial vehicle based on regulations set forth by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The contractor will administer pre-employment and post-offer Human Performance Evaluations for Austin Resource Recovery where employment will be contingent upon the applicant's ability to fulfill the essential functions of the position.

An Austin Energy and Austin Resource Recovery evaluation team evaluated the responses and unanimously chose this respondent as the best to provide these services. Evaluation criteria used to evaluate the responses included applicable medical licenses and certifications, experience in medical surveillance programs, total evaluated cost and acceptance of the City of Austin's terms and conditions.

This request allows for the development of an agreement with a qualified offeror selected by Council. If the City is unsuccessful negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with the provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified offeror and authorize contract negotiations with that provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 6/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

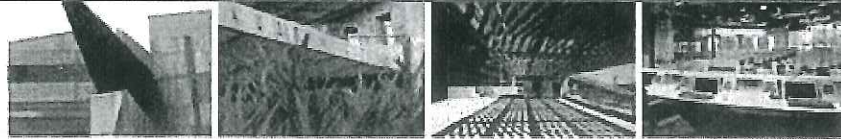
PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One-hundred, fifty-three notices were sent including six MBEs. There are no known WBEs for this commodity code. Two responses were received, with no response from the MBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated qualifications statement.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy and Austin Resource Recovery's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet and in the Austin American Statesman.

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council -
Commissioner's Court Meeting

Item ID:

34262

Agenda Number

<ITEM_OUTLINE>

Meeting Date:

August 7, 2014

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract with WEIDMANN DIAGNOSTIC SOLUTIONS, for the purchase of insulating oil analysis services for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$35,776, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$17,888 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$107,328.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,982 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 22 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 received.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118

Boards and
Commission
Action:

To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

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 purchase of insulating oil analysis services for Austin Energy's yearly transformer health assessments. These oil analysis services are necessary to monitor the condition of power transformers and identify transformer problems. Each power transformer must be tested at least once a year. In addition, large autotransformers and power plant units are tested twice a year and monthly in July, August, and September, due to excessive heat. Units that are subjected to a system fault also must be tested before re-energization.

MBE/WBE solicited: 17/7

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0010REBID
Insulating Oil Analysis
(7 – line items)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid Amount</u>
Weidmann Diagnostic Solutions Inc. Austin, TX	\$17,887.50
Transformer Testing & Repair, Inc. Suisun City, CA	\$27,050.00

NOTE: A complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 257 notices were sent including 17 MBEs and seven WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 15% increase to the last purchase made in May 2009. This increase is based on increases in wages as supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics data as well as an increase in the price of overnight/emergency oil analysis.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. Weidmann Diagnostic Solutions Inc. is the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.

CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION
VENDOR NAME: PRIESTER-MELL & NICHOLSON

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AGENDA DATE: 8/28/2014
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SUBJECT: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month supply contract with **PRIESTER-MELL & NICHOLSON, INC.**, for the purchase of acrylic & polypropylene meter seals for Austin Energy in an amount not-to-exceed \$252,813, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$84,271 each, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$505,626.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$14,045 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining thirty-four 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.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Paige McDonald, Buyer II/512-322-6118

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.

PURCHASING: Lowest responsive bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-D 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.

This contract is for the purchase of acrylic and polypropylene meter seals for Austin Energy on an as-needed basis. Meter seals are used to secure Austin Energy meters at customer facilities to ensure that the meter, the primary method of quantifying electric usage, is secured by an Austin Energy representative on site, and that any unauthorized attempt to gain access to the meter is clearly identified by way of the design of the seal.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0013
Acrylic & Polypropylene Meter Seals
(4 – line items)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid Amount</u>
Priester-Mell & Nicholson, Inc Austin, TX	\$84,270.24
Vic Enterprises, LLC Austin, TX	\$89,066.52
Total Seal, Inc. Katy, TX	*

*Non-responsive. Sample provided to the City did not meet specifications in the solicitation. A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- Fourty-four notices were sent including one MBE. There are no known WBEs for this commodity code. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE.
- These items are not on any existing contracts; however, the pricing offered represents a 3% increase to the last open market purchase made in April 2014.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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

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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34324	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a contract with DIRECTAPPS, INC. DBA DIRECT TECHNOLOGY, or another qualified offeror to RFP No. GAL0018, for the purchase and implementation of a new workflow automation software solution for Austin Energy's energy efficiency and solar rebate programs, in an amount not to exceed \$798,000 with hosting and support services for one 24-month period in an amount not to exceed \$396,000 and three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$198,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,788,000.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$798,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the hosting and support services is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated proposal.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Gage Loots, Supervising Senior Buyer, 512-322-6251			
Boards and Commission Action:	July 15, 2014 - To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission. July 21, 2014 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.			
MBE / WBE:	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 contract.			
Related Items:				

Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of a new workflow automation software solution for Austin Energy's Customer Energy Solutions energy efficiency and solar rebate programs. The software application will support Austin Energy's goal to reach 800 MW of peak demand savings and 200 MW of solar resources by the year 2020 through a mix of energy efficiency program offerings, including demand response programs for residential and commercial customers, as well as Green Building, Electric Vehicle, and Solar programs.

This purchase will replace the existing software which is unstable and limited in handling the required functionality of Austin Energy's multiple Customer Energy Solutions programs. The existing application suffers from constrained functionality, periodic lack of connectivity, field scheduling constraints, and access issues that in turn, impede Austin Energy's goal to provide outstanding customer service. Furthermore, the current system has limited scalability as it provides support for two programs, whereas the future solution will address all current and future Customer Energy Solutions program needs. The new application will provide the capability to centralize the functionality of the energy efficiency and solar rebate programs. It will standardize and align the workflow management and tracking while providing an improved reporting functionality and enhanced audit capabilities. The new application will provide a cost effective and streamlined communication exchange that will further improve the contractor interface, customer responsiveness, and satisfaction.

City of Austin vendors, contractors, customers, and Customer Energy Solutions staff will have the option to access the web-based application. This automation solution will provide maximum utilization of existing resources and minimize manual data entry and processing while preserving oversight capabilities.

An Austin Energy evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the proposals and unanimously chose this proposal as the best to provide these services. Evaluation criteria used to evaluate the proposals included system concept and solution, timeline and implementation approach, expertise, personnel and experience, cost and local business presence.

This request allows for the development of an agreement with a qualified offeror that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified offeror and authorize contract negotiations with this provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 37/18


MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One thousand, one hundred and six notices were sent, including 37 MBEs and 18 WBEs. Nine proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBE.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated proposal.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.

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Recommendation for Council Action				
Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34328	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014		Department:	Austin Energy
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin/Austin Energy and Austin Community College for collaboration on the Central Texas Fuel Independence Project under a Clean Cities Implementation Initiatives to Advance Alternative Fuels Market grant from the Department of Energy, for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy through a Department of Energy grant approved by City Council as part of the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget. The grant period is from February 2, 2013 to January 31, 2015.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	<p>September 11, 2012 – Approved Ordinance No. 20120910-001, accepting \$500,000 in DOE grant funds included in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. March 7, 2013 – Authorized Interlocal Agreement with Alamo Area Council of Governments for assistance in establishing the Central Texas Fuel Independence Project.</p>			
For More Information:	<p>Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Karl Popham, Manager, Electric Vehicles & Emerging Technologies (512) 322-6005.</p>			
Boards and Commission Action:	<p>To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on July 15, 2014 and the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.</p>			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				


The Central Texas Fuel Independence Project ("the Project") is a public-private regional initiative to reduce barriers to the widespread adoption and use of cleaner, domestic, and more secure alternative fuels vehicles. This public-private initiative will continue to expand awareness, adoption and the infrastructural footprint of electric and natural gas vehicles in 10 counties surrounding the Austin and San Antonio region. Austin Energy is in direct collaboration with local area governments, clean cities organizations, and industry advisors to facilitate a clear path to market for alternative fuel vehicle infrastructure.

The proposed Interlocal Agreement with Austin Community College (ACC) is designed to achieve the following primary goals:

1. Fund activities of ACC enabling them to better execute on their proposal as the primary vehicle for training and education, supporting a transition away from oil as the primary transportation fuel source;
2. Satisfy a business need to create a centralized regional consumer, local government, utility, and business information resource with a goal of creating a regional alternative-fuel infrastructure;
3. Support local climate protection plans, such as the Austin Energy Generation, Resource and Climate Protection Plan to 2020 and the San Antonio Mission Verde Plan, and lower emissions in the Project's region, an area on the verge of non-attainment status under the Clean Air Act.

The proposed agreement with ACC will establish a Central Texas Alternative Fuels Training Center to further the mission of the Project. The purpose of the Training Center is to support training of regional workforce, developing knowledge and training with tools and equipment in alternative vehicles through standard curriculum, as well as hands-on vehicle and infrastructure training. ACC will use industry standards and best practices to compose objectives, create topical and detailed outlines, and to research and create course content. They will also dedicate staff time to execute deliverables related to safety trainings, dealership trainings, shared infrastructure trainings, and outreach initiatives related to alternative fuels. ACC will execute trainings and events throughout the Project's region and work with Austin Energy and the Project's partners to reach deliverables in the agreement.

As part of the agreement, Austin Energy will provide a maximum of \$100,000 (utilizing funds from an already-approved DOE grant) and ACC will provide a maximum of \$45,000. ACC will leverage existing strategies and resources to develop an Advisory Council Consortium for the Central Texas area. The purpose of the council is to support the development of standardized curriculum and training infrastructure for alternative fuels vehicles in the region to include: hosting workshops, facilitating first-responder training, promoting the use of alternative fuel vehicles, and building key partnerships in the community with subject matter experts for long-term sustainability of workforce development in the Central Texas region.

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Recommendation for Council Action				
Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34265	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	8/7/2014		Department:	Austin Energy
Subject				
<p>Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$15,000 in funds from the American Public Power Association and amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Austin Energy Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20130909-001) to appropriate the funds related to an educational research program supporting intern students seeking utility careers.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$15,000 is available from the American Public Power Association. Matching funds are not required.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>A fiscal note is attached.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	September 9, 2013 -- Approved the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy, Ordinance No. 20130909-001.			
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Liz Jambor, Manager, Data Analytics & Business Intelligence (512) 322-6353.			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>The American Public Power Association's (APPA) Demonstration of Energy Efficiency Development (DEED) Program provides funding in the form of scholarships and internships, to support the education of students working toward technical careers that are in short supply and high demand by electric utilities. As a long-time member of the APPA, Austin Energy is afforded their information services, utility programs, professional development and scholarship program opportunities such as the DEED Program. One of the requirements of the program is that a member utility must sponsor and provide work experience. Three full-time students were awarded scholarships through the APPA to be sponsored by Austin Energy. The students are temporary, part-time interns and will conduct research related to energy innovation.</p> <p>The APPA, based in Washington, D.C., is a service organization for the nation's community-owned electric utilities, including Austin Energy. Member utilities are provided The DEED scholarships and grants are chosen by the DEED Board of Directors.</p>				

CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION
VENDOR NAME: SIMGENICS CORPORATION

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AGENDA DATE: 08/07/2014
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SUBJECT: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with **SIMGENICS CORPORATION** or the other qualified offeror to RFP No. MEA0302, GP Strategies Corporation, for the purchase of power plant simulator training services for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$384,000, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$192,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$768,000.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$32,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining twenty-two 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.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Maria Andrade, Buyer I/512-972-9424

PURCHASING: Best evaluated proposal.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on July 21, 2014.

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 contract.

This contract will provide simulator training services for operators of generator units at Austin Energy's power plants. The simulator training is an instructor-led class that incorporates hands on training meant to simulate startup, operation and unit upset conditions. In addition, the training includes both pre and post testing to gauge each individual student's comprehension of the classes. This training covers both the conventional units at the Decker Power Station and the combined cycle units including heat recovery steam generator (HRSG) units at Sand Hill Energy Center.

An Austin Energy evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the proposals. Evaluation criteria included technical solution and program, demonstrated applicable experience, cost, local business presence, and vendor demonstration of the simulator training to be provided.

The evaluation team chose both SimGenics Corporation and GP Strategies Corporation as qualified offerors due to their ability to develop power plant simulation and training services; however, SimGenics Corporation was their unanimous choice as the best evaluated offeror due to their extensive expertise and specialization in training in the utility simulator training industry.

MBE/WBE solicited: 145/94

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Two thousand fifty two notices were sent, including one hundred forty-five MBEs and ninety -five WBEs. Three proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBE.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated proposal. Simgenics Corporation is the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.