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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID	34265	Agenda Number	4.
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Meeting Date:	8/7/2014	Department:	Austin Energy
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Subject

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.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$15,000 is available from the American Public Power Association. Matching funds are not required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

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:	July 21, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

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.

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.