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## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	33867	Agenda Number	52.
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Meeting Date:	June 26, 2014
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Department:	Purchasing
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### Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract with BRENNTAG SOUTHWEST, INC., for the purchase of sodium hypochlorite (bleach) for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$51,310, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$25,655 per extension option, for a total amount not to exceed \$128,275.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$6,414 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining twenty one 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.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Nicole Turner, Senior Buyer, 512-322-6586
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Boards and Commission Action:	5/19/14 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 6-0.
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Related Items:	
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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.
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### Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the supply of sodium hypochlorite (bleach) used to treat and sanitize water at Austin Energy's Decker Creek Power Station and the Sand Hill Energy Center. Decker Creek utilizes sodium hypochlorite in the ultra-filters used to condition lake water for use by the power plant. At Sand Hill Energy Center, sodium hypochlorite is used to treat the water in the circulating/cooling system by eliminating algae and microbiological buildup in the cooling towers which could impact efficiency.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### **BID TABULATION**

IFB No. MLG0066  
Sodium Hypochlorite  
(2 – line items)

#### **Vendor**

Brenntag Southwest, Inc.  
Houston, TX

#### **Total Bid Amount**

**\$25,655.00**

Commercial Chemical Products  
Houston, TX

\$34,505.80

FSTI, Inc.  
Austin, TX

\$52,690.00

A complete 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. Twenty six notices were sent. There are no known MBEs or WBEs for this commodity. Three bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 23% decrease from the last purchase made in March 2009. This decrease is based lower prices for sodium hypochlorite as supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Producer Price Index.

#### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

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