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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting		Item ID:	34252	Agenda Number	72.
Meeting Date:		August 7, 2014			
Department:		Purchasing			
Subject					
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.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
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.					
Fiscal Note					
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing Language:		Sole bid received.			
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:		Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:		July 21, 2014 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0.			
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 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.

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.