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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

37446

Agenda Number

52.

Meeting Date:

November 6, 2014

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of four 24-month requirements supply contracts for the purchase of transmission & substation insulators and hardware for Austin Energy with: KBS ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS INC., in an amount not to exceed \$1,247,820 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$623,910 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,495,640; PRIESTER-MELL & NICHOLSON INC., in an amount not to exceed \$462,128 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$231,064 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$924,256; TECHLINE INC., in an amount not to exceed \$383,770, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$191,885 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$767,540; and with STUART C. IRBY CO., in an amount not to exceed \$311,472 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$155,736 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$622,944. The annual amount for all transmission & substation insulators and hardware required under these contracts will be for a total each and combined amount not to exceed \$1,202,595.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$1,102,379 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 13 months of the original contract period and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing
Language:

Lowest bids received meeting specifications.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

Gabriel Guerrero, Buyer II, 512-322-6060

Boards and
Commission
Action:

October 20, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-0 vote.

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| 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 | | | |
| These contracts will provide for the supply of various types of insulators and related hardware including line post insulators, station post insulators, braced line post insulators, suspension disc insulators, horizontal post insulators, clamps, shackles and rods. These items will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's Kramer warehouse for issuance to Transmission and Substation crews for maintenance and construction projects. These insulators and hardware are necessary to safely insulate the energized overhead conductor from the supporting structure and equipment. | | | |
| The transmission line insulators are used to separate and support the transmission conductors. These insulators, which do not allow current through them, are installed on transmission poles, allowing current to travel through the conductors but not the transmission poles. | | | |
| MBE/WBE Solicited: 30/19 | | MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0 | |
| <u>BID TABULATION</u> | | | |
| IFB No. GGU0130 | | | |
| Transmission & Substation Hardware Annual Price Agreement | | | |
| (90 line items) | | | |
| VENDOR | Number of Line Items Bid | Number of Line Items Awarded | Total Annual Award |
| KBS Electrical Distributors Austin, TX | 67 | 27 | \$623,910 |
| Priester-Mell & Nicholson Austin, TX | 70 | 12 | \$231,064 |
| Techline Inc. Austin, TX | 80 | 21 | \$191,885 |
| Stuart C. Irby Austin, TX | 77 | 23 | \$155,736 |
| Texas Electric Cooperative Austin, TX | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| EPS Logix, Inc Dallas, TX | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Zena Inc. Odenville, AL | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| * Line items 2, 12, 17, 21, 55, 60 and 76 of the solicitation will not be awarded. | | | |
| A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office web | | | |

site.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 803 notices were sent, including 30 MBEs and 19 WBEs. Seven bids were received, with no response from the MBEs and WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 2% price decrease to the last contract awarded in August 2012.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bids received. KBS Electrical Distributors, Priester-Mell & Nicholson, and Techline are current providers of this commodity.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.