



# Electric Utility Commission

October 20, 2014

## Minutes

**The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened in a regularly-scheduled meeting in the Shudde Fath Conference Room at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Osborne at 6:04 pm. Commissioners Fath, Hadden, Heidebrecht, Osborne, Rai, and Shaw were also in attendance. Commissioner Butler was absent.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Approve minutes of the September 15, 2014 regular meeting.  
**Motion to approve meeting minutes (Fath); seconded (Shaw); passed on a vote of 6-0.**

2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL** – *Tim Arndt*

### **NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT ITEMS (Targeted Council Date)**

**Item 3 and 4 withdrawn by staff. Following discussion regarding items 6 and 9, motion to recommend approval of items 5-14 (Rai); seconded (Heidebrecht); passed on a vote of 6-0.**

3. (10/23) Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 5 to the contract through The Cooperative Purchasing Network with GRAINGER, INC., for the purchase of industrial supplies and equipment for various City departments, to increase the current contract amount in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$13,615,360. [Shared contract; AE's portion of this amendment is estimated to be \$267,698.]
4. (10/23) Authorize award and execution of a 24-month service contract with TECHLINE, INC, for the purchase of network protector rebuild services for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$10,171,220, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$5,085,610 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$25,428,050.
5. (11/6) Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., or one of the other qualified responders to RFQ Solicitation No. CLMP160, to provide engineering services for Austin Energy's Domain District Cooling Plant Cooling Tower Improvements Project, in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.
6. (11/6) Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 36-month service contract with ENERTECH RESOURCES LLC, to provide repair, restoration, and maintenance of moonlight towers for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$2,127,280, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,927,280.
7. (11/6) Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements-based service contract with GREATER AUSTIN CRANE SERVICES LTD, for the purchase of crane services for Austin

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Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$582,850, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$291,425 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,457,125.

8. (11/6) Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract with FARWEST LINE SPECIALTIES, LLC, for the purchase of pole climbing fall arrest systems for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$214,577, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$38,810 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$331,007.
9. (11/6) Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 6 to a requirements service contract with SOLAR TURBINES, INC., for gas turbine maintenance at Austin Energy's Mueller Energy Center, to increase the authorization in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$2,360,100.
10. (11/6) 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.
11. (11/20) Authorize negotiation, execution and award of a 12-month requirements service contract with ZONAR SYSTEMS INC., for the purchase of EVIR web-based software upgrade and support services for the electronic vehicle maintenance inspection reporting system for Austin Energy, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$43,477, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$23,029 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$140,593.
12. (11/20) Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with CLEARRESULT CONSULTING INC., or another qualified Offeror to RFP No. OPJ0110 for the purpose of providing temporary labor staffing employees in the areas of energy efficiency and green building services for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, with two 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.
13. (11/20) Authorize award and execution of a contract with TECHLINE INC. for the purchase of insulators for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$106,313.
14. (11/20) Authorize award and execution of two 36-month requirements supply agreements for the purchase of 15kV padmount switchgear for Austin Energy with: PRIESTER-MELL &

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NICHOLSON INC. in an amount not to exceed \$1,534,500 with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$511,500 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,069,000; and with POWELL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS, INC. in an amount not to exceed \$866,952, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$288,984 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,733,904. The annual amount for all switchgear required under these contracts will be for a total each and combined amount not to exceed \$800,484.

#### **BRIEFINGS**

15. Update regarding a comparative analysis of GreenChoice-type programs in Texas.

**Pat Sweeney, Director, Energy & Market Operations**

16. Update regarding Austin Energy's relicensing efforts at STP.

**Elaina Ball, Vice President, Power Production**

#### **ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

17. Discussion and possible action on Austin Energy's position regarding the EPA clean power plan and AE's contemplated direct comments to EPA or TPUC or indirect comments contemplated through the TPPA. (Hadden/Osborne)

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

18. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items

**Osborne and Hadden requested an update regarding EPA clean power plan from staff along with a discussion/possible action item. Related, Osborne and Hadden requested any official comments from staff regarding proposed rules be provided to EUC in advance of next meeting if available. (Note: The staff update regarding budget changes related to Council Resolution 20140828-157, Section 2c, Value of Solar rate is also expected on the November agenda. )**

**ADJOURNMENT: Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm.**