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#### Recommendation for Action

City of Austin

File #: 20-3021, Agenda Item #: 50.

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#### Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Daniel L Sun Inc. D/B/A Sun-Net Inc., to provide maintenance, support and system upgrades for the transmission outage scheduler software, for a term of five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

(Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

#### Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

#### Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$560,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

#### Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

#### For More Information:

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#### Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

September 14, 2020 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

#### Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide maintenance, support and the system upgrade from the transmission outage scheduler software to the integrated tools for operations application (iTOA). The upgrade will allow system operators to minimize dual entry into systems through new integrations, and new functionality to allow substation check-in/check-out to be recorded automatically instead of phone calls to the control center. iTOA is an integrated application for outage coordination, switching order writing which reroutes electricity to minimize the impact on end users and dispatch logging. The software supports the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) program interface and is compliant with the North American Electric Reliability Council - Transmission Availability Data System, Phase-I requirement. iTOA is the only software in North America that contains these major functions and has ERCOT program interface.

Without the iTOA upgrade, the transmission outage scheduler software will no longer be supported. The iTOA

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product is solely manufactured and supplied by Daniel L Sun Inc. D/B/A Sun-Net Inc.

## Strategic Outcome(s): Safety; Mobility.