Thursday, June 7, 2007

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 37

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with ALFRED CONHAGEN, INC. OF TEXAS, La Marque, TX, for the repair of a boiler feedwater pump at Sand Hill Energy Center Combined Cycle Unit 5 in an amount not to exceed \$106,838.70.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Martha L. Gaines, Buyer II/322-6583

Purchasing Language: Sole bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the repair of the spare boiler feedwater pump (river intake pump) at Sand Hill Energy Center. Sand Hill - Unit 5 requires two boiler feedwater pumps to maximize the full electrical output of the steam turbine. This unit is the most efficient gas fired unit in the Austin Energy system.

This critical spare pump is kept on site in order to insure that the full output is available in the event of any other pump problem.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0 MBE/WBE responded: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. Two other companies Flowserve and Hydrotex did not meet the bid opening timeline.
- b. Thirteen notices were sent, including one MBE. There are no WBEs available for these services. One bid was received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 1% increase to the last repair made in April 2005.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received.
- b. Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.