Item No. 2

Austin Energy RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Subject: Approve the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate in the amount of \$79,218.14 to FRIENDS MEETING OF AUSTIN, Austin, TX, for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system at its facility located at 3701 E. Martin Luther King Blvd.

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

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

For More Information: Fred Yebra, Director, Demand Side Management / 482-5305; Leslie Libby, Solar Rebate Program Manager / 482-5390.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Resource Management Commission and the Electric Utility Commission.

Austin Energy requests authorization to issue a Letter of Intent in the amount of \$79,218.14 to Friends Meeting of Austin for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system, in accordance with the City of Austin's Solar Rebate Program guidelines. The program is one element of Austin Energy's comprehensive Strategic Plan approved in December 2003.

Friends Meeting of Austin (Quaker House) is a non-profit religious organization and is renovating this existing church building located at 3701 E. Martin Luther King Blvd. The solar equipment, which meets all Austin Energy program requirements, includes 107 solar modules rated at 208 watts; 72 watts; and 142 watts respectively, and the associated inverters rated at 94.5% efficiency. The solar photovoltaic equipment installed is estimated to provide yearly energy savings of 24,280 kWh.

The City will not exceed the rebate offer of \$79,218.14 should the final installed measures be eligible for a higher rebate at the time of the final inspection due to changes in quantity or efficiency of equipment.