



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members
Toby Hammett Futrell, City Manager

FROM: Juan Garza, General Manager
Austin Energy

DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: Critical Business Need for 35 KV Cable at Seaholm Substation Project

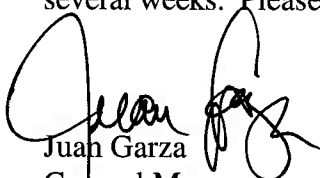
ACTION:

As detailed below, and in accordance with City Council-approved purchasing procedures, I am designating as a Critical Business Need of Austin Energy (AE), the purchase of 7,200 linear ft. of cable. The 35 KV, 500 MCM 3 conductor cable to be procured per purchasing specification E-992 is needed to complete the switchgear replacement project for the Network feeds out of Seaholm Substation, this is a budgeted system reliability improvement project. This cable must be purchased and delivered to Austin Energy by October 12, 2007 to meet this project's complex schedule while maintaining reliability to the feeds in the downtown grid. We plan to bring an RCA to Council regarding this issue next month.

BACKGROUND:

The Seaholm Substation Project is an Electric Service Delivery critical system reliability improvement project valued at approximately \$5,000,000. Austin Energy will award this purchase to Techline, Inc. for \$158,400 with delivery to Austin Energy required by October 12, 2007. Techline will be supplying Prysmian brand cable that meets purchasing specification E-992, dated January 26, 2000. Purchase quantity of 7,200 linear feet packaged 3,600 linear feet per steel returnable reel.

Austin Energy plans to bring this item forward for ratification by the City Council in the next several weeks. Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at 322-6002.


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