

## AGENDA



Thursday, March 20, 2008

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 23**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract with POWER SUPPLY, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of a main breaker for the Sand Hill Energy Center, in an amount not to exceed \$56,327.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the FY 2007-2008 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:** Lowest bid of two bids received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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 purchase of the main breaker used on the LM6000 gas turbine generators at the Sand Hill Energy Center. The main breaker is the electrical link between the generator and the electric grid. Without this breaker, the power generated by the units cannot flow from the generator to the electrical distribution system. This breaker will be placed in inventory to be available to mechanical crews for immediate replacement in the event of breaker failure.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Thirty-eight notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs available for this commodity. Two bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered reflects less than 1% increase to the last purchase made January 2005.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.