



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members
Marc Ott, City Manager

FROM: Roger Duncan
General Manager

DATE: April 3, 2008

SUBJECT: Critical Business Need – Emergency Generator Rental Service

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 rental and installation of an emergency diesel generator for the Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas.

On March 17, 2008, the Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas lost 50% of normal electrical power and 100% of emergency electrical power as fed from the Mueller Energy Center (MEC). A temporary emergency diesel generator was needed immediately to prevent a possible recurrence of this event. The temporary generator will be located at the hospital for six months while improvements are made and tested on the MEC plant control system.

The installation and six month rental fee of a 175 KW emergency diesel generator is \$168,440.00.

AE plans to bring this item forward for ratification by the City Council in the next several weeks. Please let me know if you have questions. I can be reached at 322-6157.

Roger Duncan
General Manager