

AGENDA



Thursday, November 20, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 47

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with KEMA, INC., Burlington, MA, for distribution management system and data acquisition system consulting services for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$300,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$150,000 per extension option, for an estimated contract amount not to exceed \$750,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$150,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 12 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

For More Information: Terry Nicholson, Senior Buyer, 322-6586.

Purchasing Language: Best evaluated proposal of two proposals 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 consulting services for implementation of two software systems for Austin Energy (AE). The two software systems identify power outages within AE's network (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) and reroute transmission lines (Distribution Management System) to expedite power restoration.

MBE/WBE solicited: 2/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Sixty-eight notices were sent, including two MBEs and one WBE. Two proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBE's.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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