

## AGENDA



Thursday, April 2, 2009

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 17**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 3 to a requirements supply contract with QEI, INC., Springfield, NJ, for remote terminal units to increase the current contract period in an estimated amount not to exceed \$30,000, and to increase the remaining extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$30,000, for a revised total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$209,700.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$3,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding in the amount of \$12,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining six months of the current contract period and extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

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

**Purchasing Language:** Contract Amendment.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract was 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.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

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On April 1, 2008 a 12-month requirements supply contract was executed with QEI for Remote Terminal Units (RTUs) for Austin Energy (AE) in an estimated amount not to exceed \$49,900, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$49,900 per extension option, for an estimated contract amount not to exceed 149,700.

The contract is for RTUs and repair parts for AE's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system. The RTUs are electronic devices that serve as data concentration and aggregation points at each substation, power plant, or alternate generating facility. The RTU collects telemetry from metering, relaying, switchgear, and other substation devices and transfers that to the Energy Control Center to be used with AE's Energy Management System for control and command. The Emergency Management System processes this information for AE's Energy Control Center dispatchers so that they can operate, monitor, and control the electric grid.

This proposed contract amendment is to provide unanticipated additional RTUs, as well as an increase for repair parts.