

A G E N D A



RCA - Purchasing

Austin City Council

Item ID:

5094

Meeting Date:

April 7, 2011

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with KBS ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS, INC., Austin, TX for the purchase of station class surge arresters for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$120,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$120,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$600,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$60,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining six 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.

Purchasing
Language:

Lowest bid of six bids received.

Prior Council
Action:

For More
Information:

Gage Loots, Buyer II/512-322-6118

Boards and
Commission
Action:

Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

MBE / WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-D 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.

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide Austin Energy (AE) with a continuous supply of station class surge arresters, to be purchased on an as-needed basis. These surge arresters will be used on AE's three-phase transmission and distribution systems and installed by AE staff in substations. This equipment is designed to protect power system apparatus and critical equipment including transformers and switchgears from surges, line transients, and lightning. Surge arresters are an integral component in maintaining the safe and efficient operation of AE's electrical system.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Fifty-six notices were sent. There are no known MBEs/WBEs available for this commodity code. Six bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents an 8% decrease from the last contract award in November 2009.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. KBS Electrical Distributors, Inc. is the current supplier of these products.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GAL0011
Station Class Surge Arresters
(16 – line items)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price*</u>
KBS Electrical Distributors, Inc. Austin, TX	\$133,156.95
Priester-Mell & Nicholson, Inc. Austin, TX	\$148,680.00
Techline, Inc. Austin, TX	\$155,683.38
Texas Electric Cooperatives Georgetown, TX	\$180,880.17
Apfelbaum Industrial, Inc. El Paso, TX	\$197,964.00
Power Supply, Inc. Austin, TX	\$243,216.00

*This contract will be awarded in an annual estimated not-to-exceed amount of \$120,000 as stated in the solicitation.

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.