

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	6789	Agenda Number	36.
Meeting Date:	May 26, 2011				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with POWER SUPPLY, INC., Austin, TX for the purchase of 138 kV Potential Transformers for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$197,400, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$197,400 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$987,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$171,080 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining eight 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 three bids received.				
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Gage Loots, Buyer II/512-322-6118				
Boards and	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.				
Commission Action:					
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 is for the purchase of potential transformers for Austin Energy (AE) as required to complete upgrades and replace outdated equipment at various substations. Potential transformers convert larger transmission voltages to lower voltages so that protective relays and other control devices can function properly by providing transient and steady-state voltage measurements necessary to operate control and protection equipment. The number of potential transformers at each substation depends on the size and location of the substation. This equipment will be installed on an as-needed basis.

MBE/WBE solicited: 2/1 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GAL0006REBID2 138kV Potential Transformers (1-line item, estimated annual quantity-21)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	Total Bid Amount 12 months
Power Supply, Inc. Austin, TX	\$9,400.00	\$197,400.00
Trench Limited Scarborough, Ontario, Canada	\$9,436.98	\$198,176.58
ALSTOM Grid Inc. Waynesboro, GA	\$9,700.00	\$203,700.00

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

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One-hundred fourteen notices were sent, including two MBEs and one WBE. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type with these specifications; therefore, there is no comparable pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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