Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with TECHLINE, INC., for the purchase of precast concrete manholes for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed $461,730 with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed $230,865 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed $1,154,325.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of $207,778 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 17 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language: Sole bid received.

Prior Council Action: 

For More Information: Gage Loots, Buyer II/512-322-6118


MBE / WBE: This contract will be 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.
This contract is for various sizes and types of precast concrete manholes for Austin Energy (AE) to be purchased on an as-needed basis. A manhole is a subsurface enclosure which personnel may safely access for the purpose of installing, operating, and maintaining electrical equipment and/or cable. The manholes will be used for both new construction and maintenance of AE’s underground distribution and communication systems.

MBE/WBE solicited: 4/3
MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**

IFB No. GAL0028
Precast Concrete Manholes Annual Agreement
(21 – line items)

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<th>Vendor</th>
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<td>Techline, Inc.</td>
<td>$230,865</td>
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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. Sole bid. The solicitation due date was extended and vendors were contacted to encourage participation; however, no additional bids were received.
b. Seventy notices were sent, including four MBEs and three WBEs. One bid was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
c. The pricing offered represents a 5.9% increase to the last contract award made October 2010.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

a. Sole bid. Techline, Inc. is the current provider of these goods.
b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy’s recommended award.
c. Advertised on the Internet.