

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	15653	Agenda Number	20.
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Meeting Date: 6/7/2012

Department: Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a supply contract with TBEA USA CORPORATION, for the purchase of 362kV capacitive coupled voltage transformers for Austin Energy in an amount not-to-exceed \$132,324

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.	
Prior Council Action:		
For More Information:	Gage Loots, Buyer II, 512-322-6118	
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.	
Related Items:	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.	
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.	
Additional Backup Information		

This contract is for the one-time purchase of twelve capacitive coupled voltage transformers (CCVTs) for Austin Energy (AE). CCVTs convert larger transmission voltages to lower voltages so that protective relays and other control devices can function properly. CCVTs provide an excellent reproduction of both transient and steady-state voltage measurements necessary to operate control and protection equipment.

These CCVTs will be installed at the newly developed Dunlap Substation, located approximately 1.5 miles north of the intersection of Taylor Lane and FM 969 (Webberville Road) which has a project schedule that necessitated a 120 day delivery which was required in the solicitation.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/1 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GAL0037 362kV Capacitive Coupled Voltage Transformers (1 – line item, qty. 12)

Vendor	Unit Price	Total Bid Amount
TBEA USA Corporation Pasadena, CA	\$11,027	\$132,324
National Electrical Systems, Inc. Boonville, NY	\$15,680	\$188,160
Power Supply, Inc. Austin, TX	\$16,450	\$197,400
Apfelbaum Industrial, Inc. El Paso, TX	*	*
ALSTOM Grid, Inc. Waynesboro, GA	*	*
MVA Power, Inc. Montreal, Quebec, Canada	*	*
Priester-Mell & Nicholson Austin, TX	*	*

^{*} Non-responsive. Did not meet the delivery schedule stated in the solicitation and required for this project.

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 twenty-three notices were sent including three MBEs and one WBE. Seven bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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