

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	16209	Agenda Number	57.
Meeting Date:	June 28, 2012				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a supply contract with TECHLINE, INC. for the purchase of transmission and distribution steel poles to be installed by Austin Energy for the Manor Expressway Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,189,893.

Amount and Source of Funding

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

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing	Sole responsive bid received.			
Language:	Sole responsive statectived			
Prior Council				
Action:				
For More	Gage Loots, Buyer II/512-322-6118			
Information:	Gage Loois, Duyer 11/312-322-0116			
Boards and				
Commission	Reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.			
Action:				
Related Items:				
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 purchase of transmission and distribution steel poles for Austin Energy (AE). These poles will be installed by AE for Central Texas Mobility Constructors, LLC (CTMC) as part of their construction of the Manor Expressway. The Manor Expressway is a 6.2 mile limited-access toll road with three lanes in each direction that will be constructed in an expanded median of U.S. 290 and will extend from U.S. 183 to east of Parmer Lane. As part of the contract agreement between AE and CTMC, the cost of these poles as well as AE's installation services will be reimbursed by CTMC. The authorization requested for this contract includes a contingency of \$200,000 which was stated in the solicitation. This contingency is for any additional quantities which may be required to complete the project and will only be utilized if needed and with the approval of the Austin Energy project manager.

The Manor Expressway is being partially funded by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) under an agreement between TxDOT and the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority. This agreement requires that the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, as well as their contractor, CTMC, comply with applicable federal regulations including Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) 635.410. This regulation, the Buy America requirement, requires the use of domestic steel and iron. To be considered domestic, all steel and iron used, and all products manufactured from steel and iron, must be produced in the United States. Additionally, all manufacturing processes must occur in the United States.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GAL0040 Transmission & Distribution Steel Poles (12 – line items)

<u>Vendor</u> <u>Total Bid Amount</u>

Techline, Inc. \$989,893

Austin, TX

Dis-Tran Steel, LLC. *

Pineville, LA

**Non-responsive, did not meet solicitation requirements.

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. Forty-three notices were sent. There are no known MBEs/WBEs for this commodity code. Two bids were received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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