

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	28414	Agenda Number	21.
Meeting Date:	November 7, 2013				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 40-month requirements service agreement with EATON CORPORATION, for the preventative and corrective maintenance of the uninterruptible power supply units, power distribution units, and static transfer switches for Austin Energy's System Control Center, in an amount not to exceed \$108,025.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$30,864 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 29 months of this contract is contingent upon funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase		
Prior Council			
Action:			
For More Information:	Oralia Jones, Senior Buyer/512-322-6594		
Boards and			
Commission	October 21, 2013 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.		
Action:			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (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 preventative and corrective maintenance for the following systems at Austin Energy's System Control Center (SCC): Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) units, Power Distribution Units (PDS) and Static Transfer Switches (STS). The SCC is the home to utility operations that manage and control the electrical power grid. The infrastructure in place at SCC is critical to maintaining all aspects of public safety, and life safety that depends on electric service. SCC is supported by dual utility feeds to ensure 99.999% reliability. The systems listed above are critical to a seamless transfer of power and ensure the uninterrupted power supply to critical equipment in the event of a power failure.

The periodic inspection and preventative maintenance services provided under this contract are in accordance with Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) performance and technical specifications and/or industry best practices for similar equipment. In addition to the established maintenance schedule, the contract also provides for both routine and emergency repair services of equipment 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays, with the contractor responding within eight hours of notification in the event of an emergency failure.

Austin Energy's SCC supports the mission set forth by the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) which manages the flow of electric power to 23 million Texas customers and represents 85 percent of the state's electric load. As the independent system operator for the region, ERCOT schedules power on an electric grid that connects 40,500 miles of transmission lines and more than 550 generation units.

Eaton Corporation, Cedar Park, Texas, is under contract through TXMAS to provide these services to other public entities in Texas. The cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and allows the City to use TXMAS contracts that have been developed from contracts which were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration Federal Supply.