

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting		Item ID:	34262	Agenda Number	75.
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract with WEIDMANN DIAGNOSTIC SOLUTIONS, for the purchase of insulating oil analysis services for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$35,776, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$17,888 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$107,328.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,982 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 22 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	Lowest bid received.		
Language:	Lowest blu received.		
Prior Council			
Action:			
For More	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118		
Information:			
Boards and			
Commission	July 21, 2014 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0.		
Action:			
Related Items:			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9D (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 insulating oil analysis services for Austin Energy's yearly transformer health assessments. These oil analysis services are necessary to monitor the condition of power transformers and identify transformer problems. Each power transformer must be tested at least once a year. In addition, large autotransformers and power plant units are tested twice a year and monthly in July, August, and September, due to excessive heat. Units that are subjected to a system fault also must be tested before re-energization.

MBE/WBE solicited: 17/7 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0010REBID Insulating Oil Analysis (7 – line items)

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

Weidmann Diagnostic Solutions Inc. \$17,887.50

Austin, TX

Transformer Testing & Repair, Inc. \$27,050.00

Suisun City, CA

NOTE: A complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 257 notices were sent including 17 MBEs and seven WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 15% increase to the last purchase made in May 2009. This increase is based on increases in wages as supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics data as well as an increase in the price of overnight/emergency oil analysis.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. Weidmann Diagnostic Solutions Inc. is the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.