

# Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting		Item ID:	34748	Agenda Number	50.
Meeting Date:	August 28, 2014				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service agreement with AK SOLID STATE INC., for the purchase and installation of batteries and capacitors, and for the maintenance of the uninterruptible power supply modules for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$59,423, with four 12-month extension options for maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$8,475 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$93,323.

# Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$57,686 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 11 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	Oralia Jones, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-322-6594		
Information:	Oralia Jories, Seriior Duyer Specialist, 312-322-0094		
Boards and			
Commission	August 18, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote.		
Action:			
Related Items:			
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.		
Additional Backup Information			

The contract is for a one-time purchase and installation of 120 new batteries and three capacitors as well as ongoing maintenance for the uninterruptable power supply modules at the 911 Back-Up Center for the Combined Transportation, Emergency & Communications Center (CTECC). The contract will provide preventative and corrective maintenance for full electrical and mechanical services such as visual and electronic inspections, periodic tests, adjustments and parts replacement for the uninterruptible power supply (UPS) power modules, and external battery system. The equipment ensures the uninterrupted power supply to critical equipment in the event of utility power failure. This mission-critical equipment provides power to various 911 facilities and critical servers used for regional radios by the City of Austin Wireless Communication Services Office. The system ensures the reliability and operation of public safety site systems and reduces the risk of unscheduled equipment downtime to the 911 Back-Up Center. In the event that CTECC is offline, the 911 Back-Up Center becomes the hub for City of Austin and Travis County 911 call takers.

The contract provides onsite, complete corrective maintenance services for routine and emergency repairs of equipment 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays, with the contractor responding within four hours for corrective maintenance.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### **BID TABULATION**

Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) Power Modules and External Battery System Maintenance at Austin Energy's 911 Back-Up Center IFB No. OPJ0016

(5 Line Items)

#### <u>Vendor</u> Total Bid Amount (5 years)

AK Solid State, Inc. \$93,322.65

Austin, TX

Fakouri Electrical \$99,040.00

Rancho Santa Margarita, CA

M. C. Dean, Inc. \$118,226.80

Sterling, VA

United Power System, Inc. \$331,678.40

Whitehall, PA

Power For U, Inc. \$3,607,010.00

Mount Prospect, IL

A complete 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.

- One hundred, twenty-three notices were sent including five MBE. There are no known WBEs for this commodity code. Five bids were received, with no response from the MBE.
- The pricing offered represents a 43% decrease to the last contract awarded in August 2009, which can be attributed to increased competition. The last contract was awarded to the sole bid received.

## **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

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