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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	36935	Agenda Number	21.
Meeting Date:	October 23, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize award and execution of a 24-month service contract with TECHLINE, INC, for the purchase of network protector rebuild services for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$10,171,220, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$5,085,610 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$25,428,050.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$4,661,809 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 13 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:	September 15, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0.			
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 will establish a source for network protector rebuilding services for equipment currently installed in Austin Energy's downtown network. Network protectors safeguard transformers from electrical faults. This service will allow Austin Energy to rebuild and reuse worn or damaged network protectors. The contract includes various types and sizes from different manufacturers. These network protectors are located in vaults serving the underground electrical network in the downtown area. The vaults are located inside and around buildings and, in some cases, below ground level. This agreement also requires the contractor to maintain a submersible enclosure around the network protector to keep the equipment dry and in service in case of flooding.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/5

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0017
Network Protector Rebuild
(66 – line items)

Vendor
Techline, Inc
Austin, TX

Total Bid Amount
\$5,085,610

Power Supply
Austin, TX

\$5,839,961

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.
- b. 133 notices were sent including three MBEs and five WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 15.7% decrease to the last contract award made January 2011. This decrease is based on lower prices of metals and price discounts for higher volume in estimated quantities.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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