



**Purchasing Contract  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.:** 17  
**AGENDA DATE:** Thu 06/17/2004  
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**SUBJECT:** Authorize execution of a contract with TECHLINE, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of a power cable system in an amount not to exceed \$823,550.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget of the Electric Utility Department.

**FISCAL NOTE:** A fiscal note is required.

**REQUESTING** Purchasing  
**DEPARTMENT:** for Austin Energy;

**DIRECTOR'S**  
**AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dolores Castillo (512)3221-6466

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

**PURCHASING:** Lowest bid meeting specifications of three bids received.

**MBE / WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 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.

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This contract will provide for the supply and installation of 3500 feet of insulated conductor, necessary terminators, brackets, and riser poles to complete an underground electrical transmission 138kV power cable system. This cable system will be installed at the New Central Austin Substation. The cable will connect the overhead electrical transmission circuits and convert the overhead electrical circuit to an electrical underground circuit. The overhead to underground conversion will allow Austin Energy to construct the substation and limit the amount of overhead structures carrying overhead power into the substation.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 3/2

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION**

Power Cable System  
IFB No. DC04100017

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
<b>Techline, Inc. Austin, TX</b>	<b>\$823,550</b>
New River Elect. Co. Cloverdale, VA	\$877,765
Pirelli Power Cable Irving, TX	\$724,500*

\*Did not meet specifications. Vendor did not meet the specified delivery requirements as required by the solicitation.

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- Adequate competition.
- Ten notices were issued including three MBEs and two WBEs. Seven solicitations were issued and three bids were received.
- Austin Energy has not purchased this type of equipment in the last 20 years; therefore, a price comparison is not available.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- Low bid meeting specifications.
- The Electric Utility Department concurs with this award.
- Advertised on the Internet.

**CIP BUDGET  
Fiscal Note**

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

6/17/2004

**WHERE ON AGENDA:**

Resolution

**DEPARTMENT:**

Electric Utility Department

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Parent Project Name:      **Transmission**  
Project Authorization:      2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget

Current Appropriation	\$ 127,475,734.00	
Unencumbered Balance		\$ 12,403,771.04
Amount of This Action		<u>(823,550.00)</u>
Remaining Balance		<u><u>\$ 11,580,221.04</u></u>

**Use of Remaining Balance:**

Remaining funds will be used for design, construction, equipment, and material acquisition to complete the project.

**Use of Any Remaining Funds After Completion of Project:**

No remaining funds anticipated at this time.

Director, Planning and Budget

Signature: 

Date: 6/3/04