



**Purchasing Supply Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with HUGHES SUPPLY INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of manhole rings and covers for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$62,065, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$62,065 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$186,195.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$10,344 is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 10 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.

REQUESTING Purchasing **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT:for Austin Water Utility; **AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen T. Aden, Supervising Senior Buyer, 974-2021

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of four 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.

This 12-month supply agreement is for the purchase of various sizes of manhole rings and covers for the Austin Water Utility. The items will be used to cover manholes for sewer mains in streets and creeks. Some items will be for initial installation; others will replace old, damaged, or missing units. For example, some units are used to prevent overflows during flooding and others keep debris out of sewer mains. Installation of the manhole rings and covers is required for compliance with environmental regulations.

MBE/WBE Sent: 2/1

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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BID TABULATION

**Manhole Covers and Rings of Various Sizes
(6 Line Items)
IFB No. SA04100047**

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
Hughes Supply Inc. Austin, TX	\$62,065.00
National Waterworks Inc. Austin, TX	\$67,302.80
Ferguson Enterprises Pflugerville, TX	\$75,853.70
East Jordan Iron Works San Antonio, TX	\$78,245.30

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- Ten bids were sent including two MBE and one WBE firms. Four bids were received. Received one "No Bid".
- The current bid represents a 4.8% increase from the last purchase made March 2003. This can be attributed to the rising cost of iron and other metals.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Low Bidder.
- The Austin Water Utility concurs with the recommendation.
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.