



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

**AGENDA ITEM NO.:** 21  
**AGENDA DATE:** Thu 08/26/2004  
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**SUBJECT:** Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with KUMARAN SYSTEMS, Rockville, MD, for Oracle Migration Services in an amount not to exceed \$70,160.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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

**REQUESTING** Purchasing  
**DEPARTMENT:** for Austin Water Utility;

**DIRECTOR'S  
AUTHORIZATION:**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Corliss Miller, Buyer II/974-2034

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

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

**PURCHASING:** Best evaluated proposal of three proposals 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 is for migration services to convert the Austin Water Utility's System for Laboratory Information Management (SLIM) from an Oracle Forms 3.0 and Reportwriter 1.1 application to an Oracle 6i Forms and Reports application. SLIM was developed in 1988 and is used to track, store and report laboratory data produced by the Laboratory Services Division of the Austin Water Utility.

Laboratory Services receives approximately 62,000 water quality samples per year for chemical and biological testing. More than 30 customer groups, within the Austin Water Utility, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department, and other City Departments, submit samples to Laboratory Services to be tested by a variety of analytical methods for multiple chemical and biological constituents. Laboratory Services produces approximately 250,000 test results each year all of which are tracked by SLIM.

De-support by manufacturers of critical software components of the SLIM platform began in 1997 and by 2002 virtually all software and hardware components of the SLIM platform were no longer supported. If the SLIM application suffers an unrecoverable failure, laboratory staff would have to use a manual system of logbooks and Excel spreadsheets to manage laboratory workflow, store data, report results to customers and produce permit and management reports. This may require additional staff to avoid delays in delivery of test results to the laboratory's customers. Most importantly, an unrecoverable failure would jeopardize the integrity of one of the largest water quality databases in central Texas.

The requested Oracle migration services are necessary to prolong the useful life of the SLIM application, which is currently dependent upon obsolete hardware and software and is in danger of failure. The SLIM application cannot be moved to any currently supported hardware and software platforms without first



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being converted to a current version of Oracle Forms and Reports. The migration will produce a version of the existing SLIM application implemented on new, fully supported hardware and software, which will allow City staff to continue to use the system with its current functionality without interruption or loss of data.

An evaluation panel consisting of personnel from the Austin Water Utility evaluated the proposals based on demonstrated applicable experience, system concept and solutions, relevant professional certifications and total evaluated cost.

MBE/WBE solicited: 32/11

MBE/WBE proposed: 0/0

**PROPOSAL ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition
- b. Three-hundred thirty-three firms were sent notices including 32 MBEs and 11 WBEs. Eight solicitations were issued with no MBEs. Three proposals were received with no MBEs or WBEs responding.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Best evaluated proposal.
- b. Austin Water Utility concurs with the recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.

## CIP FISCAL NOTE

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**WHERE ON AGENDA:**  
**DEPARTMENT:**

8/26/2004  
Resolution  
Austin Water Utility

**DESCRIPTION:**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with KUMARAN SYSTEMS, Rockville, MD, for Oracle Migration Services in an amount not to exceed \$70,160.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Parent Project Name:	Water Improvements - Citywide
Project Authorization:	2003-04 Approve Capital Budget
Funding Source:	Current Revenue
Number:	3920 227 1016

Current Appropriation	\$ 95,565,949.00
Unencumbered Balance	13,981,962.78 *
Amount of This Action	<u>(35,080.00)</u>
Remaining Balance	<u>\$ 13,946,882.78</u>
 Current Available Balance	 \$ 15,182,743.78
Less Outstanding Commitments	<u>(1,200,781.00)</u>
Estimated Unencumbered Balance	<u>\$ 13,981,962.78 *</u>

Utility Finance: \_\_\_\_\_

David Anders, Utilities Finance Manager

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

8/4/04

**REF. # 3920 227 7993**

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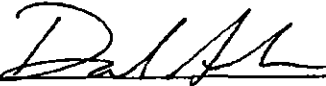
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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Parent Project Name:	Wastewater Improvements- Citywide
Project Authorization:	2003-04 Approved Capital Budget
Funding Source:	Current Revenue
Number:	4480 237 2016

Current Appropriation	\$ 99,308,829.00
Unencumbered Balance	12,071,789.81 *
Amount of This Action	<u>\$ (35,080.00)</u>
Remaining Balance	<u>\$ 12,036,709.81</u>
 Current Available Balance	 \$ 12,625,404.81
Less Outstanding Commitments	<u>(553,615.00)</u>
Estimated Unencumbered Balance	<u>\$ 12,071,789.81 *</u>

Utility Finance: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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