



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with NGK-LOCKE, INC. C/O PRIESTER SUPPLY COMPANY, Austin, TX for transmission insulators in an amount not to exceed \$317,835, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$317,835 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,271,340.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$26,486.25 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Amended 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.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Williams, Buyer II/322-6467

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Low bid of five 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 contract is for the purchase of suspension insulators, line post insulators, braced line post insulators, suspension disc insulators, horizontal post insulators and corona rings for polymer suspension insulators. Austin Energy will use this electrical hardware to protect and separate the energized conductor (cable and/or bus) from equipment and material to protect personnel from being electrocuted and to protect the electrical circuit from short circuits.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 3/1

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION
IFB # KW05100008
Transmission Insulators
(11 Line Items)**

| <u>VENDOR</u> | <u>TOTAL COST</u> |
|--|--------------------------|
| NGK-LOCKE, INC C/O PRIESTER SUPPLY AUSTIN, TX | \$317,835.00 |
| Power Supply, Inc. Austin, TX | \$356,152.50 |
| Techline, Inc. Austin, TX | \$396,536.25 |
| Texas Electric Cooperatives Georgetown, TX | \$529,395.00 |
| Hughes Supply, Inc. Austin, TX | \$225,389.50* |

* Hughes Supply was deemed non-responsive. Items were not in compliance with specification for the following reasons: 1) Specification E-1637 required an eye-eye suspension insulator; they submitted a ball-clevis eye suspension. 2) Specification E-1637 required Polymer Insulators; they submitted Porcelain Post Insulators.

Note: A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- Twenty-one notices were sent including three MBEs and one WBE. Six bids were issued. Five bids were received. No MBE/WBEs responded.
- The pricing offered represents a 7.5% increase from the last contract awarded April 2002.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Award to the low bid meeting specification.
- Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.
- Advertised on the Internet.