



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

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 18  
AGENDA DATE: Thu 09/01/2005  
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**SUBJECT:** Authorize execution of a contract with GRANDE TRUCK CENTER, San Antonio, TX, for the purchase of one truck-mounted 29 foot aerial device with fiber optic splicing body, in an amount not to exceed \$92,431.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

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

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

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

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

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

**PURCHASING:** Low bid of two 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 is for the purchase of one 29 foot insulated aerial device manufactured by Utility Truck Equipment Mfg., L.L.C., and one fiber optic cable splicing body manufactured by O.G. Hughes and Sons, Inc. Both the aerial device and splicing body will be mounted on a cab and chassis manufactured by Ford Motor Company. This equipment will be assigned to the Austin Energy Information Technology and Telecommunications (AEITT) section. The aerial device will be used to construct and maintain fiber optic cable lines, which are vital to system control functions and internal communications. The body enclosure will provide a climate controlled environment, which is critical to ensure system reliability when AEITT is splicing fiber optic cable. The body will also be equipped with work tables, cable clamps, and a generator to produce electrical power for various tools.

This truck will replace an existing 1986-year model and meets the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. The Service Center Manager has inspected the truck to be replaced and determined that the mileage or hours of use cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time.

In an effort to reduce engine noise while operating in residential areas, the truck chassis will be powered by a gasoline engine. The truck engine will meet or exceed all efficiency and emission guidelines established by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency through the 2005-year model. There are no alternative fuel options for this application.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION**

**IFB # RM05100009**

**Truck-Mounted 29 Foot Aerial Device with Cable Splicer  
(Quantity – 1)**

**Vendor**

**Grande Truck Center  
San Antonio, Texas**

**Total Price**

**\$92,431.00**

**Westway Ford  
Irving, Texas**

**\$102,891.00**

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Seventeen notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs available for this commodity. Three solicitations were issued. Two bids were received. One "No Bid" was received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no bid history available.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Low bidder.
- b. Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.
- c. - Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.

## CIP BUDGET

## Fiscal Note

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

**9/1/2005**

**WHERE ON AGENDA:**

## Resolution

**DEPARTMENT:**

## Austin Energy

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

**Parent Project Name:** **Support Services**

**Project Authorization:** 2004-2005 Approved Capital Budget

<b>Current Appropriation</b>	<b>\$ 58,812,222.00</b>
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<b>Unencumbered Balance</b>	<b>\$ 18,684,494.06</b>
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<b>Amount of This Action</b>	<b>(92,431.00)</b>
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<b>Remaining Balance</b>	<b>\$ 18,592,063.06</b>
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**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 & Budget**

**Signature:**

**Date:**

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8/11/05