



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month service agreement with TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION SERVICES, Glenbrook, NV, for leak repair services of transformers and circuit breakers at Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$74,065.30, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$74,065.30 per extension option, for a total agreement amount of not to exceed \$296,261.20.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$61,721.08 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining two 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
DEPARTMENT: for Austin Energy;

DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION: Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Dolores Castillo, Senior Buyer/322-6466

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: One bid 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 agreement will provide Austin Energy with ready access to labor, supervision, equipment and materials for the performance of routine and/or emergency, on-site oil and sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) gas leak repair service to high voltage electrical transformers and circuit breakers. A symptom of aging transformers and circuit breakers is the tendency to leak oil or gas depending on the type of equipment. The majority of leaks can be repaired while the equipment is still in service, thereby limiting interruptions and increasing reliability. Approximately five (5%) percent of Austin Energy's inventory of transformers and circuit breakers will require this type of leak repair service.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 1/3

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Only bid. Two other potential bidders were contacted as to why they did not respond. One vendor, AVO Power Services from Eighty-Four, PA, indicated it could not be competitive since its firm is a small business. The other vendor, ABB Repair Services in St. Louis, MO, indicated it has too much work and was not interested in providing a bid at this time.
- b. Eighteen notices were issued including one MBE and three WBEs. Three solicitations were issued. One bid was received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered is the same as that offered in the last contract in March 14, 2001.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.
- b. Advertised on the Internet.