



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract with POWER SUPPLY, INC. Austin, TX, for transformer bushings in an amount not to exceed \$47,350.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Amended Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest 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.

This contract will supply ten transformer bushings. Bushings are insulating devices used on transformers, switchgear and circuit breakers. Bushings connect the high voltage wires from the substation bus to a specific piece of equipment while maintaining the appropriate clearances to prevent sparking. Austin Energy will use these bushings as replacements for existing bushings when performing routine testing on substation transformers.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 4/3

MBW/WBE Bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION
10 Transformer Bushings**

Vendor	Total Bid
Power Supply Austin, Texas	\$47,350
BM Industries, Inc. Sugarland, Texas	\$49,800

A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Fifteen notices were sent including four MBEs and three WBEs. Three solicitations were issued. Two bids were received with no MBEs/WBEs responding.
- c. The pricing offered represents no increase to the last purchase made in July 2005.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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