



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract with UNIFIN INTERNATIONAL, C/O BUTLER & LAND, Houston, TX, for transformer cooling radiators in the amount not to exceed \$141,954.

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

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Dolores Castillo, 512-322-6466

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of three bids received.

MBE / WBE: This contract will be awarded in accordance 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 provide for the replacement of six cooling radiators to be used at the Holly Power Plant Unit 3 Transformer. Transformers use cooling radiators to cool the insulating oil of the transformer. As the load increases on the transformer, the core and coils become heated. The insulating oil in which the core and coil are immersed dissipates the heat when the oil is circulated through the radiators. A radiator failure would result in the transformer being removed from service, thereby making the Unit 3 generator not available for service.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION
IFB No. DC06100002
Six Transformer Cooling Radiators**

| Vendor | Total Bid Price |
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| Unifin Butler/Land Houston, Texas | \$141,954 |
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| Enerfin Alsworth, Inc. San Antonio, Texas | \$144,732 |
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| Enerfin Alsworth, Inc. San Antonio, Texas | \$174,246 |
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A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eight notices were issued including one MBE. Four solicitations were issued and three bids were received. MBE did not respond. There are no known WBEs for this commodity.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 7% increase from the last award in October 2001.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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

**CIP BUDGET
Fiscal Note**

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DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

2/9/2006

WHERE ON AGENDA:

Resolution

DEPARTMENT:

Austin Energy

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Parent Project Name: **Transmission**
Project Authorization: 2005-2006 Approved Capital Budget

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|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Current Appropriation | \$ 155,475,734.00 | |
| Unencumbered Balance | | \$ 12,161,563.68 |
| Amount of This Action | | <u>(141,954.00)</u> |
| Remaining Balance | | <u>\$ 12,019,609.68</u> |

Use of Remaining Balance:

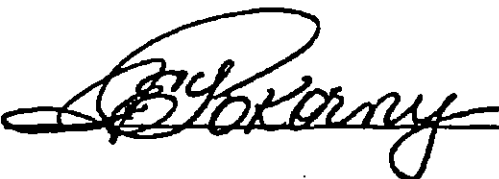
Remaining funds will be used for design, construction, equipment, and material acquisition to complete the project.

Use of Any Remaining Funds After Completion of Project:

No remaining funds anticipated at this time.

Director, Planning and Budget

Signature: _____



Date: _____

