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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION ITEM No. 31

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with POWER SUPPLY, INC., Austin, TX, for power transformer bushings in an amount not to exceed \$96,660.

Amount and 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.

Additional Backup Material

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D POWER SUPPLY 082406 BID TAB

For More Information: Gabriel Guerrero, Buyer II/322-6060

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid meeting specification of two bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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.

The contract is for the purchase of 18 power transformer bushings. These power transformer bushings will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's (AE's) Kramer warehouse. Bushings are a critical component of AE's substation class power transformers by providing the interface between the high-voltage transmission lines and the transformers. Bushings may leak or exhibit signs of premature failure, requiring immediate replacement.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 2/1 MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a. Adequate competition. b. Sixteen notices were sent including two MBEs and one WBE. Three solicitations were issued. Two bids were received with no response from the MBEs and WBE. c. The pricing offered represents no change from the last purchase made May 2006, for Line Item No. 1. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available for Line Item No. 2.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Lowest bid meeting specification. b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award. c. Advertised on the Internet.

AGENDA DATE: 8/10/06 VENDOR NAME: GE Supply

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GG06100011
Power Transformer Bushings
(2 Line Items)

VENDOR	ltem 1 (9 Qty) 115kv 550kv Bil <u>Unit Price – Total Price</u>	Item 2 (9 Qty) 138kv 650kv Bil <u>Unit price – Total Price</u>
G.E. Supply* Austin, TX	\$4,384.00 - \$39,456.00	\$5,024.00 - \$45,216.00
Power Supply	\$4,450.00 - \$40,050.00	\$6,290.00 - \$56,610.00

^{*}G.E. Supply withdrew its bid. They are no longer authorized distributors of the manufacturer.