

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA



Thursday, August 24, 2006

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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 32

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with S&C ELECTRIC COMPANY, Chicago, IL, for circuit switchers in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,651,125, with one 12-month extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$550,375, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,201,500.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Amended Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

Additional Backup Material

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☐ [S & C ELECTRIC BID
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For More Information: Dolores Castillo, Sr. Buyer/322-6466

Purchasing Language: Sole bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase of two sizes of 145kV, 25kA circuit switchers for Austin energy (AE) on an as needed basis. Circuit switchers are designed to provide switching and protection for AE's large power transformers and capacitor banks. The circuit switcher can be operated locally or by remote control to disconnect equipment from the power system for maintenance purposes. It can also be automatically operated by power system protection schemes when an overload or short-circuited condition is detected.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 4/2 MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a. Sole bid. Several manufacturers were surveyed as to why they did not bid. They indicated they could not meet our specifications, which requires a lockable switch that is visible from the outside for safety purposes. Since AE is only purchasing a few of these, these manufacturers are not willing to change their standard product for the City. b. Seventeen notices were sent, including four MBEs and two WBEs. Five solicitations were issued. One bid was received with no response from MBEs/WBEs. c. The pricing offered represents a 9% increase to the last purchase made in January 2006.

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

AGENDA DATE: 8/24/2006

VENDOR NAME: S&C ELECTRIC COMPANY

BID TABULATION

IFB No. DC06100028

Circuit Switchers – Est. Qty 10 each/per year
(2 line items)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Est. Qty/Year</u>	<u>Unit Price/Year</u>	<u>Total Price/Year</u>
145kV, 25kA Circuit Switcher, side disconnect	10	\$28,345	\$283,450
145kV, 25kA Circuit Switcher	10	\$26,692.50	\$266,925

CIP BUDGET
Fiscal Note

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

8/24/2006

WHERE ON AGENDA:

Resolution

DEPARTMENT:

Austin Energy

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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

Current Appropriation	\$ 158,740,734.00	
Unencumbered Balance		\$ 9,716,733.54
Amount of This Action		<u>(1,651,125.00)</u>
Remaining Balance		<u><u>\$ 8,065,608.54</u></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.

Manager Budget

Signature: Noreen Gleeson Date: 8/10/06