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Austin Energy RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION ITEM No. 3

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) for the Texas Center for Commercialization of Electric Technology funding in the amount of \$30,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Grant funding of \$30,000 is available from the State Energy Conservation Office.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Additional Backup Material (click to open)

Commission Report

For More Information: Andres Carvallo, Chief Information Officer / 322-6401.

**Boards and Commission Action:**Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission. (Related to item #2)

The State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) has awarded grant funding to Austin Energy in the amount of \$30,000 to provide to the Texas Center for Commercialization of Electric Technology (CCET) for the development of technology blueprints for Smart Meters and Remote Terminal Units. As a member of CCET, Austin Energy will facilitate and oversee the CCET's development of the technology blueprints, which are to include the feasibility of near term solutions to ensure that the technology is commercialized and ultimately leads to energy savings.

Organized in September 2005, the CCET is a nonprofit whose purpose is to enhance the safety, reliability, security and efficiency of the Texas electric transmission and distribution system through research, development and commercialization of emerging technologies. In addition to Austin Energy, CCET members include Freescale Semiconductor, Avistar, CenterPoint Energy (Houston), TXU Electric Delivery (Dallas), AEP Texas and a consortium of six universities including The University of Texas (at Austin and at Arlington), Texas A&M University (at College Station and at Kingsville), Texas Tech and the University of Houston.



## Electric Utility Commission August 21, 2006 Meeting

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Motion by: Fath

Seconded by: Knaupe

Ayes: Fath, Knaupe, Skeith, Schmandt, and Shaw

Nays: NONE

Abstaining: NONE

Off the dais: Sessa and Owens

Absent: Alvarez and Weston

The Commission approved this item, 5-0.