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**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No. 26**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract with EATON ELECTRICAL Raleigh, NC, for purchase, delivery, installation and warranty of 320 uninterrupted power system replacement batteries in eight battery cabinets at the Combined Transportation, Emergency, & Communications Center in an amount not to exceed \$84,864

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 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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No Attachments Available

**For More Information:** Karen Williams, Buyer II/322-6467

**Purchasing Language:** Sole Source

**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.

This contract will provide for the purchase of 320 Powerware brand uninterrupted power system (UPS) batteries for the UPS at the Combined Transportation, Emergency & Communications Center. The UPS provides a short-term back-up power source for the 911/311 Operations Floor. Due to the critical nature of the customer, Austin Energy must provide back-up power to all critical equipment in case of utility power failure. Eaton Electrical manufactured the original UPS and currently maintains the UPS equipment. The batteries must be replaced by the original manufacturer.

The life expectancy of each battery is 5 years, which will be reached at the end of this year. In order to ensure that CTECC critical operations are not interrupted, backup power batteries must be replaced now.