

AGENDA



Thursday, August 5, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 17

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with HOLT CAT, San Antonio, TX, for the purchase of an emergency generator and automatic transfer switch for the Transmission/Distribution and Energy Market Back-Up Control Center in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is contingent upon the approval of the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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

For More Information: Terry Nicholson, Senior Buyer/322-6586

Purchasing Language: Best evaluated bid 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.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

This contract is for the purchase of a 500kW generator with an automatic transfer switch to provide emergency backup power to Austin Energy's Back Up Control Center (BUCC) located at Decker Creek Power Station. The generator and associated automatic transfer switch will be installed at the power plant to feed auxiliary power to the BUCC in the event of an emergency. The BUCC will be used in the event of a major interruption to the main Energy Control Center as part of Austin Energy's Business Continuity Plan.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twelve notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs for this commodity. Two bids were received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.