

## AGENDA



Thursday, September 23, 2010

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 41**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract with DIGITAL INSPECTIONS, Corvallis, OR, for the upgrade of the Cascade software from Sybase to Oracle in an amount not to exceed \$100,275.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 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:** 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.

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

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This contract will convert Austin Energy's (AE) current Cascade database software used to track substation equipment maintenance to an Oracle-based system. Conversion of Cascade to an Oracle-based system will help achieve uniformity with the corporate strategy of using Oracle for the primary corporate database platform and provides enhanced capabilities for integration with Maximo and other such Oracle-based applications.

Digital Inspections is the sole supporter/supplier of the Cascade software which was purchased by AE in 1996. The software was developed specifically for electric substations and interfaces with other utility based test software at AE. The upgrade to the Oracle platform will insure compatibility with Maximo and other Oracle based systems.