



**Purchasing Service Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month service agreement with TEXAS UTILITY INSPECTION SERVICES, San Antonio, TX, for wood pole inspection and treatment in an amount not to exceed \$149,573.50, with three 12 -month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$149,573.50 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$598,294.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$37,393.37 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Amended Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining nine months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Purchasing **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT:for Austin Energy; **AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Dolores Castillo, 512-322-6466

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: n/a

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of four bids received.

MBE / WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 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 is for the purchase of services performed by the Contractor.

This service agreement will provide inspection, preservative treatment, and identification of the condition of Austin Energy's distribution poles currently in service. Wood poles that are 11 years and older, and not rejected by a visual inspection, shall be excavated and treated in place. Poles that have been found to be deteriorated beyond acceptable standards due to internal and/or external decay or infestation shall not receive treatment of any kind, but will be scheduled for replacement. Work will be scheduled on a circuit by circuit basis. All treatment materials shall be non-carcinogenic and shall have appropriate Environmental Protection Agency registered labels stipulating use, handling procedures, emergency procedures, warning labels and disposal methods.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 4/1

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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BID TABULATION

**Wood Pole Inspection and Treatment
IFB No. DC05300007**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
TX Utility Inspection Services San Antonio, TX	\$149,573.50
Greywood Tech Sebastopol, CA	\$189,970.00
Utilimap Corp Jefferson City, MO	\$195,671.75
Osmose Util. Convington, LA	\$341,887.80

A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eight notices were issued including four MBEs and one WBE. Six bids were issued and four bids were received. M/WBEs did not respond.
- c. A price comparison from the last contract issued August of 2002, indicates a price reduction of approximately 25% due to revised specifications which eliminated unnecessary work.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Low bid.
- b. Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.