SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month service agreement with STANDARD AUTOMATIC FIRE ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED, Round Rock, TX for inspection, testing, and maintenance of fire protection systems at Austin Energy power plants in an amount not to exceed $75,054, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed $75,054 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $375,270.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of $75,054 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extensions 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: Martha L. Gaines, Buyer II/322-6583

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Best evaluated proposal of three proposals 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 will provide inspection, testing, and maintenance services for the fire protection systems at Decker, Holly, and Sand Hill power plants. The installed systems and devices to be serviced under this agreement include fire, smoke, heat and gas detection alarm systems including all detection devices, monitor modules, interface relays, tamper switches, pressure switches, warning lights, manual pulls, control panels, and associated equipment. Various combinations of these systems exist at each of the three power plants. The recommended vendor is a licensed and experienced company in compliance with the National Fire Protection Association, National Electric Code, Texas Insurance Code, and Texas Administrative Code.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/1

MBE/WBE submitted bid: 0/0
PROPOSAL ANALYSIS  
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a. Adequate competition.  
b. Twenty-two notices were sent, including one MBE and one WBE. Eight solicitations were issued. Three proposals were received. The MBE and WBE did not respond.  
c. Austin Energy has not had this service in the past; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION  

a. Best evaluated proposal.  
b. Austin Energy concurs with the recommended award.  
c. Advertised on the Internet.