



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-0650, **Agenda Item #:** 10.

5/8/2025

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for data analysis software platform for Austin Energy with PicoTera Systems, LLC, for an initial term of three years with up to two one-year extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,400,000. Funding: \$375,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$375,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

MBE/WBE:

Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program); therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

April 14, 2025 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 9-0 vote with Commissioners Rhodes and Alvarez absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide Austin Energy with the cloud-based Distributed Energy Services Information Management System software platform and applications in support of an Austin Energy website designed to help segments of Austin Energy customers manage their energy usage and save on energy costs. The product also is used by multiple internal workgroups to complete data analysis on usage and usage trends. The web-based application provides specific external users (large customers, multi-location customers and some solar customers) with near-real-time data on their daily electricity consumption and notifies them of tier-pricing changes. It also aims to encourage more efficient energy use by helping users understand how their

consumption impacts their bills. The Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2035 calls for 975 megawatts of avoided energy consumption by 2027. This website is a strategy to help meet this goal.

PicoTera Systems, LLC, is the sole developer and authorized distributor for the proprietary Distributed Energy Services Information Management System software platform and applications. PicoTera Systems, LLC. is the current provider of these goods and services. The platform, including prior versions, has been in use by Austin Energy since 2014.