



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-4852, Agenda Item #: 31.

7/18/2024

Posting Language

Authorize execution of three contracts for transmission insulators and hardware with Techline Inc., KBS Electrical Distributors Inc., and Wesco Distribution, Inc. d/b/a Hi-Line Utility Supply Co, LLC, each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$63,500,000, divided among the contractors.

[Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the goods required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities, therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$2,116,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 BAS1000REBID for these goods. The solicitation was issued on November 20, 2023, and closed on December 19, 2023. Of the five offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's website. This information can currently be found at

https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=139718.

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. Respondents to the solicitation and their Agents should direct all questions to the Authorized Contact Person identified in the solicitation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

June 10, 2024 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0 with Vice Chair White and Commissioners Blackburn and Long absent and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide a continuous supply of transmission and substation hardware, including

insulators, clamps, wire, conduit, and connectors used to maintain Austin Energy's electrical infrastructure and to ensure critical components are available for repairs and new installations.

Without these contracts, Austin Energy cannot adequately support the electrical infrastructure and complete critical repairs.

KBS Electrical Distributors Inc. and Techline Inc. are current providers of these goods.