#### **EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request**

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) for engineering and construction services to transfer TOP services to BPA.

Board Meeting Date: 10/1/2019

Project Name/Contract #: Engineering and Construction Activities Associated with Transmission Operator Provider

Service Requirements

Primary Contact: Rod Price Ext. 7122

**Contract Amount:** 

Original Contract Amount: \$155,000

Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Invoices over last approval: \$0
Percentage over last approval: 0%

Amount this Request: \$155,000 **Resulting Cumulative Total:** \$155,000

**Contracting Method:** 

Method of Solicitation: Direct Negotiation, Intergovernmental Agreement

If applicable, basis for exemption: Exemption Rule 6-0110(1)(a)

Term of Agreement: six months

Option to Renew? No

Approval for purchases "as needed" for the life of the Contract Yes□ No⊠

Proposals/Bids Received (Range): N/A, Direct Negotiation

Selection Basis: Direct negotiation, Intergovernmental Agreement

Narrative:

# Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB was registered as a Transmission Operator (TOP) in the WECC/NERC compliance program. EWEB transferred our TOP registration responsibilities to Bonneville Power Administration on May 1, 2019. For BPA to assume EWEB's TOP responsibilities, they need to monitor our Bulk Electric System equipment, which required software and hardware upgrades to their Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system. This contract is to reimburse BPA for that upgrade work.

# Contracted Goods or Services

BPA SCADA upgrade work included: (1) Technical assistance, project management, and engineering review and consultation to EWEB, as needed, to help facilitate the proposed TOP plan of service. (2) At BPA's Control Centers: (A) Design, provide, and install software additions to BPA's SCADA, TRED, DART, and COS systems to include EWEB's 115 kV and 230 kV systems and (B) Update the transmission grid displays to show the new EWEB 115 kV and 230 kV systems data.

# **Prior Contract Activities**

Engineering and Construction services for Holden Creek substation connection to the Thurston - Blue River 115 kV line. \$450,000.

# Purchasing Process

EWEB has negotiated an Agreement with BPA for upgrades to the BPA SCADA system. Terms of the Agreement include termination with 90 days' notice, specific billing and payment processes, liability, and responsibilities of the parties.

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Bidder/Proposer Location N/A

# Competitive Fair Price (If less than 3 responses received)

Staff completed a cost analysis and determined that the services provided by BPA will result in an overall savings. The original estimate was \$145,000 for these services, but final accounting ended up at \$155,000 due to unexpected difficulties modifying the BPA Dispatch mapboards at Dittmer and Monroe.

#### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Management requests the Board approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bonneville Power Administration for Engineering and Construction Services to transfer Transmission Operator service. The total division budget for 2019 is \$22.7 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

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