

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:** ELECTRIC SERVICES INVENTORY CABLE PURCHASE

**BACKGROUND:**

This bid is for the purchase of 6,000 feet of 750 KCMIL compact copper to meet the annual construction needs of Electric Services.

This cable is a standard Electric Services inventory item. Inventory items are purchased from an inventory asset account and are charged to the appropriate operations expense or project accounts as the materials are taken out of inventory and put into the various work orders.

Bids for these materials were received on March 21, 2013, as shown on the attached report. All bids for cable are subject to reel length variances, usually 5% - 10%, to allow for factory over/under runs during production. Three bids were received as shown on the attached spreadsheet.

The Electric Engineering Manager has reviewed the bids and determined that the low bid from Wesco Distribution, Des Moines, Iowa, meets the needs of the Electrical Services Department for the 750 KCMIL compact copper cable. The low bid submitted by Wesco is subject to a metals escalation/de-escalation that will be determined on the day of order placement.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Award a contract for the purchase of 6,000 feet of 750 KCMIL compact copper cable to the low bidder, Wesco Distribution, Des Moines, Iowa, subject to reel length variances, at an estimated total cost of \$92,970 plus applicable sales taxes.
2. Reject all bids and delay Electric Services work orders.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

This purchase will provide for the annual construction needs of the Electric Services Department for aluminum cable.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the award of contract to Wesco Distribution, Des Moines, Iowa, subject to reel length variances, at an estimated total cost of \$92,970 plus applicable sales taxes.

INVITATION TO BID 2013-144

<b>BIDDERS</b>	<b>750 KCMIL Compact Copper Unit Cost</b>	<b>Quantity 6,000 Feet Total</b>	<b>Notes</b>
WESCO	<b>\$15.4950</b>	<b>\$92,970.00</b>	Metal escalation/de-escalation at time of order placement, specification exception approved
WESCO	\$17.8300	\$106,980.00	Metal escalation/de-escalation at time of order placement
RESCO	\$18.0795	\$108,477.00	Metal escalation/de-escalation at time of order placement