ITEM # <u>18</u> DATE: 02-8-11

#### **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

# <u>SUBJECT</u>: ACCEPTANCE OF IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY VET MED SUBSTATION MATERIALS (CIRCUIT BREAKERS)

### **BACKGROUND**

On June 8, 2010, City Council approved preliminary plans and specifications for Vet Med Substation Circuit Breakers. The complete project is the expansion of the Veterinary Medicine Electrical Substation which is needed to accommodate Iowa State University's Veterinary Medicine Campus Ioad additions, football stadium Ioad additions, and Ames' Ioad additions south of Highway 30 and along South 16<sup>th</sup> Street in the vicinity of the Vet Med Substation.

This portion of the project was for the purchase of four circuit breakers. A budget of \$4,000,000 is included in the 2010/11 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for the entire project. The Engineer's estimated cost for this material was \$190,000.

On June 30, 2010, bids were received and evaluated by Electric Services staff and an engineer from Dewild Grant Reckert & Associates (DGR) Company, who both concluded that the lowest qualified bid in the amount of \$192,715.64, submitted by Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc., Warrendale, PA, was acceptable.

There was one change order for this contract, which brought the total cost to \$194,035.64. Change Order No. 1 for \$1,320.00 was for Mitsubishi to replace one set of 2000/5 MRCT on the four circuit breakers with one set of 1200 MRCT.

All four circuit breakers in the contract with Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc., have now been delivered, and the Project Engineer has provided a certificate of completion. The total contract amount including the change order is \$194,035.64. The overage on this purchase is covered by the remaining total budget for the Vet Med Substation project, which currently has an unencumbered balance of over \$600,000.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1) Accept completion of the contract for the Vet Med Substation Circuit Breakers with Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc., at a total cost of \$194,035.64, and authorize final payment to the contractor.
- 2) Delay acceptance of this project.

## **MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The contractor for the Vet Med Substation Circuit Breakers has delivered all of the material specified under the contract. The Project Engineer has issued a certificate of completion on the work, and the City is legally required to make final payment.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting completion of the contract for the Vet Med Substation Circuit Breakers with Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc., at a total cost of \$194,035.64, and authorizing final payment to the contractor.