

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Western Utility/Telecom, Inc.** for a **Deadend Structure for Currin Substation.**

Board Meeting Date: August 2, 2022
Project Name/Contract #: Deadend Structures for Currin Substation / 22-105-G
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Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$289,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Invoices over last approval: \$0
Amount this Request: \$289,000
Percentage over last approval: NA
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$289,000**

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Formal Invitation to Bid
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA
Term of Agreement: One-Time, Delivery in August 2023
Option to Renew? No
Approval for purchases *"as needed"*
for the life of the Contract: Yes No
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 2 (\$288,400 to \$435,100)
Selection Basis: Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder

Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

The rebuild of Currin Substation will require five (5) high voltage transmission lines to connect to the new substation equipment. The existing substation uses lattice structures which are very large and represent an older substation design that resulted in substations being unsightly. The new substation will use tapered steel structures which will offer similar strength to the old design but be better fitted to the new substation's lower profile design.

Contracted Goods or Services

One time purchase of five (5) tapered steel deadend structures for the Currin Substation Rebuild, scheduled to start construction in Q4 2022 and extend through 2023. If approved, this contract would cover the design, fabrication, and delivery of these structures. No field services are included with this contract.

Purchasing Process

In May 2022 staff issued a Formal Invitation to Bid (ITB) for a deadend structure for EWEB's Currin substation. The solicitation was advertised on the State of Oregon's public procurement site, OregonBuys. Two bids were received

from Western Utility/Telecom and Meyer Utility Structures and were deemed responsive and responsible.

Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price	Ranking (for RFPs)
Western Utility/Telecom	Salem, OR	\$288,430	NA
Meyer Utility Structures	Memphis, TN	\$435,058	NA

Competitive Fair Price (If less than 3 responses received)

Additional interest was communicated regarding this contract, but due to supply chain constraints, a few companies withdrew participation in anticipation that they would not be able to deliver on time. However, both bids received were below the engineer’s estimated cost and considered very reasonable.

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved Date	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Final Amount	Reason Code
PO 24586	Steel Switch Structure	NA	3-10-21 to 6-4-21	\$8,719	\$8,719	NA
PO 20495	15kV Dip Structure	NA	2-26-20 to 4-2-20	\$9,305	\$9,305	NA
PO 16341	15kV Dip Stand	NA	1-30-19 to 6-1-19	\$5,865	\$5,865	NA

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a new contract with Western Utility/Telecom, Inc. for a deadend structure for Currin Substation. Funds for these structures are accounted for in the 2022 Electric Capital Improvement Plan of \$55 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.