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To: Harvey Hilderbran, TFC Executive Director  
From: Joaquin Garcia, Facilities Operations and Controls, Building Automation Supervisor

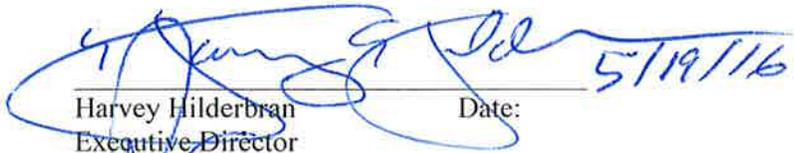
Re: Proprietary Justification Purchase

Dear Mr. Hilderbran,

The Facilities Operations and Controls Division is requesting approval of proprietary specifications to upgrade programming at the Sam Houston Building (SHB), to Siemens Industry in the amount of \$7,280.00. This letter of justification is required because this is a proprietary Building Automation and Controls System and Siemens Industry is the only manufacturer and vendor of this product. The system and associated devices is comprised of all Siemens products, and Siemens is the only vendor qualified to provide the programmable applications to multiple Siemens controlled buildings.

The upgrade will revise, update and combine the existing Austin Energy Coop and ERCOT programming functions into one new Peak Demand Limiting Program. The programming implementation is necessary to account for newly installed and modified HVAC equipment and associated devices at various buildings in support of energy management directives and load cooperative programs. Without additional programming, we will lose the opportunity to enhance and maximize our energy and utility saving capabilities. If approved, our potential rebate this summer should exceed previous years while conserving energy consumption on an annual basis.

Your approval to process this requisition in order to provide Proprietary Specifications under Government Code: Title 10, Subtitle D, Section 2155.067 (Proprietary Purchases) is requested.

  
Harvey Hilderbran  
Executive Director  
Date: 5/19/16

  
Richard D. Ehler  
Procurement Director  
Date: 5/19/2016

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