

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Lorenzen Energy Consulting, LLC** for development of an EMS Conservation Potential Assessment plan and associated services.

Backgrounder (if "yes," "See backgrounder information") No

Board Meeting Date: July 7, 2009

Project or Job Name: EMS Conservation Assessment and Plan

Project Contact: Bill Welch Ext. 3082

Purchasing Contact: Gail Murray Ext. 3254

Action Requested:

Contract Award
 Contract Renewal
 Contract Increase
 Other

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$60,000

Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$ 0

Invoices over last approval: \$ 0

Percentage over last approval: 0 %

Amount this Request: \$60,000

Resulting Cumulative Total: \$60,000

Funding Source:

Budget
 Reserves
 New Revenue
 Bonding
 Other

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Exemption/Direct Negotiation

If applicable, basis for exemption: EWEB Rule 6-0270 Personal Services

Term of Agreement: July 2009 – May 2010

Option to Renew? Yes

Approval for purchases "as needed" for the life of the contract No

Form of Contract:

Single Purchase
 Services
 Personal Services
 Construction
 IGA
 Price Agreement
 Other

NARRATIVE:

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Lorenzen Energy Consulting, LLC** for development of an EMS Conservation Potential Assessment, implementation plan and associated services.

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), in its post-2011 contracts, is requiring electric utilities to develop a Conservation Potential Assessment (CPA) and implementation plan on a biennial basis. The first CPA plan is due in June 2010 to meet EWEB's post-2011 BPA requirements.

Bob Lorenzen, EWEB's EMS Operations Manager (now retired) managed the development of EWEB's Conservation Resource Assessment in 2008. In addition, Mr. Lorenzen is part of the Northwest Power and Conservation Planning Council's Regional Technical Forum (RTF), the body that is establishing the CPA rules/requirements. Mr. Lorenzen retired earlier this year and formed Lorenzen Energy Consulting, LLC. Mr. Lorenzen has in-depth and first-hand knowledge of EWEB's resource potential, its 2008 Conservation Resource Assessment, and the RTF's CPA requirements, making Lorenzen Energy Consulting LLC the best firm available to provide the CPA deliverables required by BPA.

If approved, Lorenzen Energy Consulting will update EWEB's Conservation Resource Assessment to enable EWEB to complete its Integrated Energy Resource Plan later this year, develop a Conservation Potential Assessment (CPA) and implementation plan to submit to BPA, and create a conservation program assessment and evaluation tool. This work must be completed by May 2010.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff requests the Board approve a new contract with **Lorenzen Energy Consulting, LLC** for development of an EMS Conservation Potential Assessment, implementation plan and associated services. Funds for these services were budgeted for 2009 and will be budgeted for 2010.

SIGNATURES:

Project Coordinator: _____

Supervisor: _____

Purchasing Manager: _____

Division Director: _____

General Manager: _____

Board Approval Date: _____

Secretary/Assistant Secretary verification: _____