# **EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request**

For Cooperative Contracts

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of a cooperative contract for a **60' Digger Derrick** with **Altec Industries**, **Inc.** 

Board Meeting Date: April 4, 2023

Project Name/Contract #: 60' Digger Derrick / 23-050-G

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Expected Spend: \$265,000 (One-Time)

## Narrative:

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of the Sourcewell 110421-ALT cooperative contract for the purchase of a 60' Digger Derrick.

## Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

With the increase in Capital Improvement Plan projects, EWEB requires the use of an additional Digger Derrick, with this unit being assigned to the Electric Utilities, Substations Department 325. Because a derrick is an insulated aerial device, one of the primary activities of the derrick is lifting and moving loads while performing crane related activities. This unit allows our crews to maintain minimum approach distances, guarding of live parts, switching and electrical safety.

With the supply chain interruptions, and long lead times on new equipment, EWEB staff reached out to qualified vendors on procuring a used or demo Digger Derrick for our substation capital work this year at a lower cost.

Altec Industries offered EWEB a 2-year-old Digger Derrick that was used in demonstration and training purposes. This Digger Derrick was 26% off the normal price and is expected to have a useful life expectancy of 18-20 years.

## **Purchasing Process**

Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative, issued RFP 110421 on September 16, 2021, to establish a national cooperative contract for Public Utility Equipment with Related Accessories and Supplies. This solicitation was published in the Daily Journal of Commerce in Oregon on September 17, 2021. Sourcewell awarded a contract to Altec Industries, Inc. on January 12, 2022. This contract expires on December 27, 2025, and may be extended up to one additional one-year period.

## **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Management requests the Board authorize the use of a cooperative contract for a 60' Digger Derrick with Altec Industries, Inc. Approximately \$1.3 million was planned for vehicles and power operated equipment in the 2023 Electric Capital Budget of \$74.2 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

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