

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

C. Capital Assets Committee

Emergency Power – Phase 2 – Delegated AuthorityRECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Capital Assets Committee that the Executive Vice President be delegated authority to award a construction contract for the Emergency Power – Phase 2 project and establish the final budget at an amount not to exceed \$6,648,000.

BACKGROUND:

Phase 2 of the Emergency Power project builds upon the recently completed Phase 1, which included installation of new emergency generation equipment and distribution switchgear. Phase 2 installs a portion of the emergency power cable distribution system to some of the buildings not currently on the emergency power network.

Abacus Engineered Systems has completed construction documents and the project was advertised for bids on December 15, 2004. Bids were originally scheduled to be received on January 11, 2005, which would have allowed CPO to request contract award at the January meeting without a request for delegated authority. However, to assure a minimum of three responsible bids, the bid date has been extended to January 24, 2005.

In order to meet this ambitious schedule, it is recommended that the Executive Vice President be delegated the authority to award a construction contract, subject to the award being within the budget, and establish the final project budget.

The total estimated budget for this project is \$6,648,000. Funding for this project is available from the 2003-05 state appropriation.

ENCLOSURE: Capital Projects Office Project Summary