

## Thomas McKee

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**From:** Edward Liberty  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2022 4:04 PM  
**To:** Carmen Davis  
**Cc:** Juan Ruiz; Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita; Thomas McKee  
**Subject:** RE: Potential Emergency Procurement

Thank you

Ed Liberty  
Director | Electric Utilities



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**Subject:** RE: Potential Emergency Procurement

Hello Ed,

I approve of the emergency purchase of the underground cable/conductor for the I-95 crossing project.

Sincerely,

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Carmen Y. Davis

City Manager | City Manager's Office



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**From:** Edward Liberty <[eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>

**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2022 11:32 AM

**To:** Carmen Davis <[cdavis@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov](mailto:cdavis@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov)>

**Cc:** Juan Ruiz <[jruiz@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:jruiz@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>; Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>; Thomas McKee <[tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov](mailto:tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov)>

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Carmen –

We're going to need your approval on this item. Due to long lead times for this material and emergent project needs we need to proceed on an emergency basis. The need for this project was triggered by the failure of an overhead conductor crossing Rte. 95 a few months ago that resulted in the conductor falling across the active roadway, without injuries. Lack of availability of this segment of our system added to the severity of the outage that we experienced in the 4kv house two weeks ago.

We're underway with engineering to relocate this segment under Rte. 95 and eliminate the overhead crossing completely, hence the need for this underground cable to be received quickly. We don't want to go into next summer without this segment of our system restored.

Thank you

Ed Liberty

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**To:** Edward Liberty <[eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>  
**Cc:** Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Potential Emergency Procurement

Good Morning Ed,

Checking back in on this one – any luck with CM approval on the emergency procurement?

Supplier: Divergent Alliance  
Total Amount: \$169,980 (Quote Attached)  
Item: 9,000' of 1000MCM Primary Underground Cable  
Reason: Long Lead Times (200+ Days), Needed for I-95 Crossing

Thanks,

Tom McKee  
Utility Services Manager  
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**From:** Thomas McKee

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2022 9:33 AM

**To:** Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>; Edward Liberty <[eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>

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Sorry about that – the supplier will be Divergent Alliance and the total amount of the purchase will be \$169,980 (quote is attached).

Thanks,

Tom McKee

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**From:** Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2022 9:25 AM

**To:** Thomas McKee <[tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov](mailto:tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov)>; Edward Liberty <[eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:eliberty@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>

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Hi Tom

Ed will need the supplier and the total amount of purchase. A quote for him to attach for CM will be very useful.

Valentina Sustaita

Assistant Finance Director - Purchasing | Financial Services



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Ed,

Regarding the purchase of the 1000MCM Primary Underground Cable that we discussed on Friday, we will need approval from the CM in an email before proceeding with an emergency procurement.

The reason for moving the purchase through as an emergency is due to the long lead times (200+ days), lack of inventory across the US, the fact that this in-stock quantity was just discovered at a distributor's location in Illinois (and will most certainly not be there after going through our non-emergency purchasing process) and the need for this cable to complete the I-95 crossing.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and please ensure Valentina is copied on all emails with the CM.

Thank you,

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**From:** Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>  
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**To:** Thomas McKee <[tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov](mailto:tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov)>  
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Hi Tom

Ed needs to seek approval from the City manager on e-mail and after she approves it, you will need to take it to the City Commission for ratification. After she approves it we can issue the purchase order.

Please note that e-mail to CM shall describe the reasons for emergency purchase, etc. please keep me in cc.

Valentina Sustaita  
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**From:** Thomas McKee <[tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov](mailto:tmckee@LakeWorthBeachfl.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2022 3:34 PM  
**To:** Valentina Ivankov-Sustaita <[vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov](mailto:vsustaita@lakeworthbeachfl.gov)>  
**Subject:** Potential Emergency Procurement

Valentina,

We are in need of 1000MCM Underground Primary Cable... this is similar to the cable that was recently out for bid and awarded to Stuart C. Irby (IFB 22-106). That cable has a lead time of 200+ days and we have ~80,000' on order, but we have just located a quantity of 9,000' **in-stock** at a supplier in Illinois. Due to the long lead times, and the fact that this cable is needed for an emergency repair involving an I-95 crossing, Ed is interested in pursuing what is available in-stock immediately as an “Emergency Procurement” due to the total cost will exceed \$50,000.

Please let me know if that will be the best route to secure this cable in this situation, and if so, what you would need from us to proceed.

Thanks!

Tom McKee  
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