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Award of Single Source Contract With Wabtec/TransTech for Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddles

PURPOSE:

To request Board Authorization, in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20227, to execute a single source of supply contract with Wabtec/TransTech for OEM Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddles for the District's Fleet of the Future (FOTF) vehicles. Two-thirds vote required.

DISCUSSION:

The Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddle is a critical wear component used on the District's Fleet of the Future (FOTF) vehicles to maintain reliable power collection from the third rail. As trains operate in service, these paddles wear and require periodic replacement to maintain fleet reliability and avoid service impacts.

This procurement will establish a five-year contract term (2026–2030) for the manufacture and delivery of original equipment manufacturer (OEM) Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddles, supplied by Wabtec/TransTech. The OEM paddle is identified as BART/Alstom Part No. 24-05-03-05471 and is quoted by Wabtec/TransTech as Item 054149-4001 (PADDLE, COLLECTOR).

The proposed agreement is an estimated quantities contract with a five (5) year term. During the term of the contract, the contract requires that the District purchase a minimum amount

of fifty percent (50%) of the total dollar value of the contract. Upon Board authorization to award this contract, the General Manager will also have the authority to purchase up to one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the total value of the contract, subject to the availability of funding.

This is a Single Source procurement because Wabtec/TransTech is the OEM and the sole qualified supplier due to proprietary design and data rights restrictions. As a result, it is not feasible or advantageous to obtain this OEM component through competitive bidding, and it would not be practical or beneficial to unbundle the requirement.

Wabtec/TransTech provided Quote No. 9003050 (Report Date: December 12, 2025; Expiration Date: December 12, 2026) for a five-year order total of \$1,071,007.88, including tax and freight. BART staff also prepared an Independent Cost Estimate (ICE) of \$1,028,976.88 and determined the quoted pricing is fair and reasonable for this proprietary OEM component.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20227, the Board may direct the purchase of any supply, equipment, or material without observance of competitive bidding upon a finding by two-thirds of all members of the Board that there is only a single source of procurement and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating or replacing equipment currently in use. Here, Wabtec/TransTech is the OEM supplier of these paddles specified by the vehicle manufacturer to operate compatibly with the FOTF, and due to proprietary rights and data restrictions, such paddles are not available from any other supplier. In addition, the purchase is for the sole purpose of replacing Wabtec paddles already in use on the District's FOTF vehicles.

Pursuant to the District's Non-Federal Small Business Program, the Office of Civil Rights has determined that the District's Non-Federal Small Business Program is not applicable to this Single Source contract. The Procurement Department will review the Contract to confirm compliance with the District's procurement standards. The Office of the General Counsel will approve the Contract as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for the Contract in the amount of 1,071,007.88 will come from RS&S Inventory Material Usage Account (#680-010) as materials are procured. The quoted five-year pricing totals are as follows:

- **2026:** \$175,000.00

- **2027:** \$183,750.00
- **2028:** \$192,950.00
- **2029:** \$202,600.00
- **2030:** \$212,750.00

Total: 1,071,007.88 with tax

The Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds are currently available to meet this obligation. This action is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact on unprogrammed District reserves.

ALTERNATIVE:

The alternative to authorizing this single-source procurement is competitive bidding. However, because this is a proprietary OEM component subject to design and data rights restrictions, competitive bidding is not feasible or advantageous and would risk delays, added costs, and potential impacts to fleet reliability.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the following motion.

MOTION:

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20227, the Board finds by two-thirds vote that Wabtec/TransTech is the single source of supply for the purchase of OEM Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddles for the District's Fleet of the Future vehicles, and the purchase is for the sole purpose of replacing equipment in use throughout the District.

The General Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Wabtec/TransTech for the purchase of OEM Current Collector Shoe Assembly Paddles for an amount of \$1,071,007.88 (including tax and freight).