

AGENDA ITEM 8-C
ACTION ITEM

TO: CHAIRMAN JENKINS AND THE VRE OPERATIONS BOARD

FROM: DALE ZEHNER

DATE: MARCH 21, 2008

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
(RFP) FOR SEPTIC TANK PUMPING AND FLUSHING
SERVICES**

RECOMMENDATION:

The VRE Operations Board is being asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for septic tank pumping and flushing services.

BACKGROUND:

VRE currently operates ten former Chicago Gallery cars that have bathrooms with waste retention tanks. Each car requires dumping and flushing three times per week for approximately half of the year and two times per week for the balance of the year.

In August of 2005, VRE awarded a contract for these services as a base year contract with two option years. The last option year ends in December of 2008. The fleet management plan has assumed the use of these cars for at least three additional years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding will be provided through the Operating budget.

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RESOLUTION
8C-03-2008
OF THE
VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

WHEREAS, VRE has several cars in its fleet that contain retention type toilet tanks; and,

WHEREAS, retention tanks require dumping and flushing two to three times per week; and,

WHEREAS, the contract for these services expires this calendar year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to issue a Request for Proposals for septic tank pumping and flushing services.