To: Chairman Milde and the VRE Operations Board

From: Doug Allen

Date: September 19, 2014

Re: Authorization to Issue a Request for Proposals for Engineering and Environmental Services for a Life Cycle Maintenance Facility

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for engineering, environmental, and limited construction support services necessary to advance a Life Cycle Maintenance (LCM) Facility and associated track work.

Background:

In January 2014, the VRE Operations Board adopted a life cycle maintenance strategy for VRE rolling stock. The basis of this strategy is to maintain VRE locomotives and passenger cars at the highest level of reliability throughout the life cycle of the equipment.

In order to fully implement this strategy, VRE needs to add a new building fully dedicated to LCM activities (such as removal, repair and reinstallation of main engines, head end power units, trucks, car bodies, main generators, auxiliary generators, traction motors, etc.) along with associated track work. The current Crossroads Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) in Spotsylvania County VA is
properly situated with respect to operation and has sufficient property available to accommodate the planned LCM facilities.

The scope of work for this RFP includes the full range of preliminary engineering, final design and environmental screening services necessary for developing contract documents for competitive bidding, as well as limited engineering support services during construction. It will encompass a new pre-fabricated building to house LCM activities along with associated track work to be constructed in the general proximity of the south end of the Crossroads MSF property.

Upon receipt of the bids, VRE will return to the Board with authorization to award the contract.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding for the project is provided in the FY2015 Budget and approved Capital Improvement Plan through Federal Section 5307 funding with state and local match.
Virginia Railway Express
Operations Board

Resolution
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WHEREAS, the VRE Operations Board in January 2014 resolved that VRE adopt a life cycle maintenance strategy in order to maintain its locomotives and passenger cars at the highest level of reliability; and,

WHEREAS, a new building and associated track work is required to accommodate life cycle maintenance activities; and,

WHEREAS, the current Crossroads Maintenance and Storage Facility has sufficient property available and is appropriately situated to accommodate a new life cycle maintenance building and associated track work; and,

WHEREAS, funds for the engineering and environmental services necessary to advance a life cycle maintenance facility are available through the VRE capital budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the VRE Chief Operating Officer to issue a Request for Proposals for engineering, environmental, and limited construction support services necessary to advance a Life Cycle Maintenance (LCM) Facility and associated track work.

Approved this 19th day of September, 2014

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Paul Milde
Chairman

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Gary Skinner
Secretary