Agenda Item 10-A
Information Item

To: Chairman Cook and the VRE Operations Board
From: Doug Allen
Date: June 19, 2015
Re: Design and Construction Contracts Related to Third Track Construction Between Arkendale and Powell’s Creek

CSX Transportation (CSXT), Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) and Virginia Railway Express (VRE) are in collaboration to construct eleven (11) miles of third track between Arkendale and Powells Creek in Prince William County. This effort began with VRE in 2005. It is currently proceeding to construction by a CSX contractor with funding from a grant under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

VRE has added scope elements that enhance safety and increase operational flexibility for CSXT, Amtrak and VRE trains. These additional elements involve changes to the design for the Quantico Station. The additional design and construction work will be managed by VRE using state grant funds. No local funds will be used for this work. Both the design and construction contracts will be with the design firm and general contractor presently doing the work for the state and CSXT on the third track project. VRE intends to bring a Sole Source recommendation, in accordance with the VRE Procurement Policies, as well as state law, to the VRE Operations Board for action in July.