To: Chairman Smedberg and the VRE Operations Board

From: Doug Allen

Date: May 19, 2017

Re: Authorization to Issue an Invitation for Bids for Electronic Fuel Injector Assemblies

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Locomotive Electronic Fuel Injector Assemblies for a period of 30 calendar days.

Background:

In 2011, VRE received 20 new MP36PH-3C diesel locomotives that comply with locomotive emissions regulations as established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). To maintain compliance, VRE must replace the electronic fuel injectors during the three-year maintenance cycle. Each locomotive will require replacement of 16 electronic fuel injector assemblies.

The IFB will be developed for the purchase of qualified electronic unit injector (EUI) assemblies to obtain a fixed-firm unit price contract.

Invitation for Bids is the preferred and normal method of procurement suitable when seeking bids to provide goods and services at a firm-fixed price. This method is utilized when there is a complete, adequate, precise specification or purchase description. Award is made based on price alone without discussions or negotiations with the Bidders.
The scope of work for the IFB includes the purchase of 320 Electronic Unit Injectors.

Upon receipt of the bids, staff will return to the Board to request authorization to award the contract.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding is provided for in the FY 2018 budget for locomotive maintenance. Funding for future years will be included in each proposed annual budget.
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Resolution
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WHEREAS, VRE received twenty new locomotives in 2011; and,

WHEREAS, the new locomotives were delivered in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency regulations for emissions reduction for locomotives; and,

WHEREAS, VRE must replace the electronic fuel injectors during the 3-year maintenance cycles to maintain the locomotive engines in compliance with Environmental Protection Agency regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the electronic fuel injectors will be purchased from a qualified source;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bids for Electronic Fuel Injector Assemblies

Approved this 19th day of May 2017

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Paul Smedberg
Chairman

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Katie Cristol
Secretary