Agenda Item 10-B
Information Item

To: Chairman Skinner and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: December 18, 2020

Re: Spending Authority Report

On September 18, 2020, the VRE Operations Board approved increasing the Chief Executive Officer’s delegated spending authority from $100,000 to $200,000. It was resolved as part of that increased delegation that any purchase or contract award in the range of $50,000 to $200,000 would be communicated to the Board as an information item.

- On November 2, 2020, VRE issued a Sole Source Blanket Purchase Order in an amount not to exceed $50,000 to TransTech to acquire toilet cleaning supplies on an as-needed basis, including chlorinating slugs and sanitizer, to maintain the toilet systems on board VRE’s passenger railcars.

- On November 5, 2020, VRE issued a Purchase Order in the amount of $65,913 to Columbia Vehicle Group, Inc. for the purchase of five utility carts to be utilized at the Broad Run and Crossroads Maintenance and Storage Facilities.

- On November 6, 2020, VRE issued a Task Order to STV Incorporated in the amount of $84,493 under the Mechanical Engineering Consulting Services (MEC) VII contract to conduct research and provide support for the future procurement of an enhanced back-office system for positive train control.

- On November 7, 2020, VRE amended an existing Independent Contractor Agreement with Steven Grant to provide support on an as-needed basis for the VRE Mobile app, specifically the transition to a new service provider. This amendment increased the total commitment to an amount not to exceed $81,900.
On November 7, 2020, VRE issued a Sole Source Blanket Purchase Order in an amount not to exceed $96,000 to Knorr-Bremse Powertech Corp. to perform repairs on an as-needed basis to the low voltage power supply units utilized to provide electrical power for the LED message signs, wheelchair lifts, outlets, etc. on board VRE’s passenger railcars.

On November 13, 2020, VRE issued a Purchase Order to Computers America, Inc. in the amount of $66,075 for the purchase of new Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) devices and Power Distribution Units (PDU) for installation in the station communication cabinets.