



Port of Cleveland Connector Track

Presented to:

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

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Project Location



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History of Work

- The new Siemens railcars will be shipped to RTA by rail
- RTA does not have a freight railroad connection to receive the railcars

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Project Objectives

- Provide a track connection that will allow for the delivery and transfer of the new railcars from the freight railroads to the RTA Rail System
 - The Port of Cleveland has the trackwork and safe unloading areas for the new railcars
 - Close vicinity to the RTA Waterfront Line

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Project Elements:

- Install two turnouts
 - One turnout on Port of Cleveland trackage
 - One turnout on the Waterfront Line inbound
- Install new track to connect the turnouts
- Install new concrete drainage pipe
- Install new fencing and gates for Port security

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Procurement Overview

- Invitation For Bid (IFB) issued January 15, 2024.
- Accessed on the GCRTA website by 16 interested parties.
- Four (4) firms submitted a bid.

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Lowest responsive and responsible bidder:

- Kennedy Railroad Services, LLC

A 5% DBE participation goal was assigned to this project and will be achieved through the use of Cook Paving & Construction Co., Inc.

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Firm Experience:

- Kennedy Railroad Services, LLC has successfully completed projects for Cargill, Lubrizol, M&M Industries, Alaron Nuclear Services, among others.

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Recommendation:

Staff requests that the Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee recommend award to Kennedy Railroad Services, LLC for the Port of Cleveland Connection to Waterfront Line. The contract is in an amount not to exceed \$883,443.00.

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QUESTIONS?