

RESOLUTION NO. 2005- 88

AUTHORIZING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT NO. 2005-082 WITH MORSE WATCHMANS, INC. TO PROVIDE NEW KEYWATCHER UNITS AND UPGRADE EXISTING GCRTA KEYWATCHER UNITS, AT A TOTAL PRICE OF \$56,445.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, TRANSIT POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET).

WHEREAS, the Authority has a requirement to upgrade existing Keywatcher units and add four new Keywatcher units at various GCRTA locations; and

WHEREAS, this equipment is proprietary to Morse Watchmans, Inc., the original manufacturer; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Morse Watchmans, Inc., located at 2 Morse Road, Oxford, CT 06478, to provide such equipment and services was received on June 22, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 306.43H(3) provides that competitive bidding is not required when the expenditure is for a renewal or renegotiation of a lease or license for telecommunications or electronic data processing equipment, services, or systems, or for the upgrade of such equipment, services, or systems, or for the maintenance thereof as supplied by the original source or its successors or assigns; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, Morse Watchmans, Inc. has offered to provide such equipment and services at a total price of fifty-six thousand four hundred forty-five & 00/100 dollars (\$56,445.00); and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the negotiated offer of Morse Watchmans, Inc. to be in the best interest of the Authority, and recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the offer of Morse Watchmans, Inc., as negotiated, to upgrade existing Keywatcher units and add four new Keywatcher units at various GCRTA locations be and the same is hereby accepted as in the best interest of the Authority.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Morse Watchmans, Inc. for the above services and equipment.


Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Transit Police Department budget at a total price of fifty-six thousand four hundred forty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$56,445.00). These funds will be reimbursable through the 2004 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program.

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2005-51; bonding and insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects that Morse Watchmans, Inc. will attempt to exceed the 0% DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: July 19, 2005



President

Attest: 

CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

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	Date: July 14, 2005
	Initiator: Transit Police Department
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- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** The Authority has a need to track and secure mechanical keys at various locations. The Authority currently uses five Keywatcher key boxes to accomplish this requirement. This action will allow the Authority to upgrade and enhance the current GCRTA Keywatcher system and add four additional new units.

- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Authority purchased the current Keywatchers from the manufacturer, Morse Watchmans, Inc. Keywatchers are proprietary items that provide computerized key control with total accountability. The units are shipped directly from the manufacturer and the Authority staff does the installation. This action will allow the Authority to reduce the security vulnerability with this automated key control system.

- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** This sole source contract is exempted from competitive bidding as authorized by Section 306.43H(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. Morse Watchmans, Inc. developed this computerized key control system on a proprietary basis and is the only source available to upgrade the current equipment and supply additional units. The Procurement Department requested a proposal from Morse Watchman, Inc. and, after negotiations, the proposal of Morse Watchman, Inc. was accepted as most advantageous to the Authority at a total price of \$56,445.00.

 A cost analysis has been performed and the Procurement Department has determined that the price for the equipment and installation is fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 0% DBE goal was established for this procurement due to the lack of subcontracting opportunities

- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply.

- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This contract shall be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Transit Police Department budget (funds to be reimbursed under the 2004 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program) at a total price of fifty-six thousand four hundred forty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$56,445.00). This price is 1.0 % below the budget estimate of \$56,800.00.

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- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this award. Rejection of this offer would prevent the Authority from upgrading an older automated key control system and adding additional units to abate vulnerability in this area.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the offer of Morse Watchmans, Inc., as negotiated, be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer to enter into a contract.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer