

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-31

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2008-027 WITH OHIO MARCS FOR THE ANNUAL USER FEE FOR HANDHELD AND MOBILE RADIOS USED BY THE TRANSIT POLICE AT A TOTAL PRICE OF \$37,440.00 (GENERAL FUND, TRANSIT POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority has recurring requirements to utilize radio channels and equipment with the Ohio MARCS (Multi-Agency Radio Communications System); and

WHEREAS, said user access is only available through the Ohio Marcs System, and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 306.43(H) (4) provides that competitive bidding is not required when the purchase of goods or services is made from another political subdivision, public agency, public transit system, regional transit authority, the state, or the federal government or as a third party beneficiary under a state or federal procurement contract, or as a participant in a department of administrative services contract under division (B) of section 125.04 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has deemed acceptance of the offer of a sole source contract with Ohio MARCS to provide the annual services, as specified, for the MARCS System 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 Ohio MARCS to provide the annual services for the MARCS radio system for GCRTA Transit Police, as specified, be and is hereby accepted.

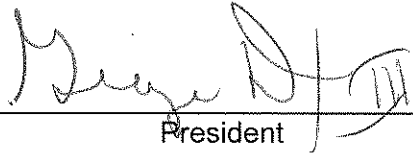
Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Ohio MARCS to provide such services, as specified, for the Transit Police.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the General Fund, Transit Police Department budget at a total price of thirty-seven thousand four hundred forty & 00/100 dollars (\$37,440) for the year 2008.

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 thereto, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2007-064, bonding and insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: February 19, 2008



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



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	Date: February 14, 2008
	Initiator: Transit Police Department
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- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a sole source contract for annual use of handheld and mobile radios through the State of Ohio MARCS (Multi Agency Radio Communications System) program.

- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Ohio MARCS is used by all major agencies of the State of Ohio (State Highway Patrol, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Department of Transportation and all the County Sheriff Offices). The Ohio MARCS program greatly enhances the collective ability to communicate natural disasters and terrorist events, as well as, significantly improve general public safety during daily operations. The Authority requires continued access to this system. Ohio MARCS operates over 200 tower sites throughout the state, with 8 towers covering Cuyahoga County and provide excellent communications coverage. The Ohio MARCS program also allows for interoperability between law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** This sole source procurement is exempt from competitive bidding as authorized by Section 306.43 (H)(4) of the Ohio Revised Code. The \$37,440.00 is the current user fee that the Authority is paying for access to the system. User fees are calculated in terms of the number of units the Authority uses which is currently 120 handheld, 31 mobile and 5 console radios. This fee is currently set at \$20 per month, per unit. This is the same fee paid by all the users of the system.

 A price analysis has been performed and the Procurement Department has determined the price to be 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 lack of certified DBE firms.

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

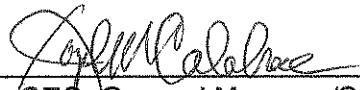
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This contract will be funded through the General Fund, Transit Police Department Budget, at a total price of thirty-seven thousand four hundred forty & 00/100 dollars (\$37,440.00). This is the yearly fee billed by the Treasurer, State of Ohio for this service.

- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would prevent the Authority's Transit Police from the continued use of the Ohio MARCS radio communications system.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the offer of the State of Ohio MARCS be accepted and a resolution passed authorizing the General Manager/Secretary- Treasurer to enter into a contract.

9.0 ATTACHMENT: None

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



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer