

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-51

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2008-26 WITH ARINC, INC. TO PROVIDE UPGRADES OF HOST SERVERS AND WORKSTATIONS ON THE CONSOLIDATED TRAIN DISPATCH SYSTEM FOR A TOTAL PRICE OF \$443,329.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority has a need to upgrade the host servers and workstations on its Consolidated Train Dispatch System (CTDS); and

WHEREAS, said services are only available through ARINC, Inc. located at 4553 Glencoe Avenue, Suite 100, Marina del Rey, California 90292, the original licensor of this system; and

WHEREAS, ARINC, Inc. has offered to provide such services for a negotiated total price of four hundred forty-three thousand three hundred twenty-nine & 00/100 dollars (\$443,329.00); 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 re-negotiation of a lease of license for telecommunications or electronic data processing equipment, service or systems, or for the maintenance thereof as supplied by the original source or its successors or assigns; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of ARINC, Inc., as negotiated, to provide upgrades of the host servers and workstations for the CTDS to be in the Authority's best interest and recommends the same to 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 ARINC, Inc., as negotiated, to provide upgrades of host servers and workstations for the CTDS be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a sole source contract with ARINC, Inc. to provide upgrades of host servers and workstation for the CTDS for a period of one year.


Section 3. That said contract shall be payable out of the RTA Development Fund, Engineering and Project Development Department budget including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-03-0245 at a total price of \$443,329.00 (\$354,663.20 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor to Specifications and Addenda, 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 the contractual obligation of the Authority.

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

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

Adopted: April 15, 2008



President

Attest: 

CEO / General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

Title/Description: AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2008-26 WITH ARINC, INC. TO PROVIDE UPGRADES OF HOST SERVERS AND WORKSTATIONS ON THE CONSOLIDATED TRAIN DISPATCH SYSTEM FOR A TOTAL PRICE OF \$443,329.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)	Resolution No.: 2008-51
	Date: April 10, 2008
	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a sole source contract for upgrades to the host servers and workstations on the Consolidated Train Dispatch System (CTDS).
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The CTDS is a combination of hardware and software that are critical to efficient and effective operations of the Authority's rail system. This critical system is used for both normal and emergency management of train movements. It must be able to function without significant delays for any reason. Many of the critical computers are over 12 years old and are at the end of their useful life. The SCO UNIX operating system software is no longer being supported, and must be replaced.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** This sole source contract for upgrades to the CTDS is exempt from competitive bidding as authorized by Section 306.43H(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. ARINC, Inc. developed the CTDS on a proprietary basis and is the only source authorized to upgrade system. The CTDS was procured in 1994 to control and monitor the rapid transit signal system from a single facility. This facilitates emergency single tracking operations and requires a minimum of service interruptions for maintenance. A contract was issued in 1999 to make the software Y2K compliant and another one was issued in 2004 to upgrade just the two Front End Processors (FEP) to Linux. This contract will complete the operating system upgrade.

 The Information Systems Department reviewed the offer for adherence to the technical scope. A price analysis was performed and the Procurement Department has determined the negotiated price to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.
- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. The procurement provides for upgrading GCRTA's proprietary software and was originally purchased under a sole source contract with a 0% DBE participation goal.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply.
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This contract will be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Engineering and Project Development Department budget including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-03-0245 at a total price of \$443,329.00 (\$354,663.20 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost). This negotiated price is approximately 11% below the budgeted amount for this project.
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would jeopardize the functionality of critical systems for operations.

- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees Operations Committee at their April 1, 2008 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the offer of ARINC, 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