

### **MOTION NO. M2017-66**

# Contract for Technology Software, Hardware, and Related Maintenance Services

MEETING:	DATE:	TYPE OF ACTION:	STAFF CONTACT:
Operations and Administration Committee	06/01/2017	Final Action	Brian McCartan, Executive Director of Finance and Information Technology Jason Weiss, Chief Information Officer

### PROPOSED ACTION

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a two-year federalized blanket contract with Right! Systems, Inc. to purchase CISCO network equipment, software, and related hardware for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$3,303,000.

#### **KEY FEATURES SUMMARY**

- Sound Transit currently procures CISCO hardware and software for the agency through the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services (DES) Master Contract. Right! Systems, Inc. is CISCO's order fulfillment partner under that contract.
- This federalized contract would be specifically allocated for the purchase of CISCO hardware
  and software for system expansion projects to include but not limited to: all new Link Light Rail
  and Sounder stations and maintenance facilities, as well as temporary remote sites for
  construction that are funded using Federal Transit Administration monies.
- Using the DES Master Contract allows Sound Transit to take advantage of a 20 to 50 percent discount.
- Sound Transit will use this contract to purchase the following for system expansion projects:
  - o New desk phones, CISCO servers, and software;
  - o New CISCO networking equipment (switches, routers, etc.);
  - o Maintenance renewals for CISCO network equipment, servers, and software; and
  - Other items as included in the DES Master Contract.
- Sound Transit will use this contract to purchase new CISCO networking equipment and software through the term of the contract ending May 2019.

## **BACKGROUND**

Sound Transit has been using CISCO products for twelve years to support the agency's growing network, telephony, and financial network system environments. These are the systems that are standard for all networking environments at Sound Transit, including along the rail alignments and remote locations for construction.

Sound Transit is exercising its option to obtain services through Right! Systems, Inc. at a 20 to 50 percent discount through the DES Master Contract. The term of the contract will coincide with the term of the DES Master Contract through May 2019.

This contract includes sufficient authority to cover procurement needs for building out the network between Central Link Operations and Maintenance facility and future Link Light Rail maintenance facility to be located in Bellevue, as well as all station in-between.

### PROCUREMENT INFORMATION

This is a "piggyback" of the Washington State Participating Master Contract to the National Association of State Procurement Officers (NASPO) agreement with CISCO Systems.

Under the terms of the agreement, Sound Transit is required to purchase product from the local CISCO reseller and for our area that is Right! Systems Inc. The NASPO contract has rigorous supplier commitments to ensure supplier partners offer their best supplier government pricing which allows Sound Transit to take advantage of the discounts afforded by this multi-agency procurement mechanism.

The NASPO agreement was publicly procured by the lead agency the State of Utah. The contract was issued June 3, 2014, and ends June 2, 2019.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

This blanket contract will be used for computer hardware and software capital purchases in support of Link, Sounder and remote construction sites. Funding for this contract will come from phases where the work will be performed within operating projects and specific expense accounts from capital projects. Since the proposed procurements will be assigned on an on-demand basis, the distribution of costs will be determined as schedules and budgets are established for this work.

#### SMALL BUSINESS/DBE PARTICIPATION AND APPRENTICESHIP UTILIZATION

Sound Transit promotes and encourages small business participation, which also includes Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). Because this contract "piggybacks" onto the State contract with Right! Systems, Inc., goals for participation were not established by Sound Transit.

## **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Not applicable to this action.

#### TIME CONSTRAINTS

A one-month delay would not have an impact.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

JI 4/6/2017

## **LEGAL REVIEW**

AJP 4/28/2017



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APPROVED by the Operations and Administration Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on June 1, 2017.

Paul Roberts

Operations and Administration Committee Chair

ATTEST.

Kathrýn Plores
Board Administrator