

REGIONAL TRANSIT ISSUE PAPER

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5	08/13/12	Open	Action	07/30/12

Subject: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Bind Regional Transit to Agreements with the State of California and Western States Contracting Alliance to Access Competitive Pricing for Telecommunication Services and Products

ISSUE

Whether to delegate authority to the General Manager/CEO to enter into agreements with the State of California and Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) for telecommunication services and products.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 12-08____, Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into Agreements for Telecommunication Services and Products through Competitively Bid Contracts Entered into by the State of California and Western States Contracting Alliance for Telecommunication Services and Products.

FISCAL IMPACT

Budgeted:	Yes	This FY:	\$ 440,000
Budget Source:	Operating	Next FY:	\$ 440,000
Funding Source:		Annualized:	\$
Cost Cntr/GL Acct(s) or	37/650006	Total Amount:	\$
Capital Project #:			
Total Budget:	\$ 2,000,000.00		

DISCUSSION

In May 2004, the Board authorized the General Manger/CEO to enter into an agreement with the State of California and Pacific Bell, MCI Telecommunications Corporation for telecommunication services and products. Since that time, broad spectrums of telecommunication services and products have been introduced along with the number of companies providing these services and products.

The State of Nevada, on behalf of the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) has established multi-state cooperative contracts for wireless telecommunications services and equipment. California has elected to participate and make these contracts available to all State agencies and local government agencies. Using competitively bid statewide contracts provides RT the opportunity to take advantage of lower cost savings (typically 10 percent) offered to the State of California.

Approved:

Presented:

Final 7/30/12

General Manager/CEO

Director of Facilities

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As RT continues to enhance service operations and the customer experience with GPS tracking for bus and light rail, Wi-Fi at light rail stations and future technological advances, the ability to take advantage of contracts with the State of California and/or WSCA provides RT more options to not only ensure compatibility with existing equipment but take advantage of emerging technology and products specifically for transit.

The State of California and WSCA both provide the most cost effective and efficient means for RT to take advantage of the special contract pricing. RT’s annualized cost of telecommunications services is \$440,000. The following table outlines existing services and products funded within this line item. In order for RT to obtain the competitive rates the State of California obtains through its membership in WSCA, RT will have to obtain authorization from the State of California to purchase telecommunications products and services under the various WSCA telecommunications contracts. Staff requests that the Board delegate authority to the General Manager/CEO to enter into agreements with the State of California and the various telecommunications providers under WSCA contracts, for the purchase of telecommunications services and products, as needed by RT. The delegation of authority would be valid for 5 years from the date of adoption of the attached resolution and would be limited to spending up to an aggregate amount of \$2,000,000.

Service/Product	Annualized Cost
GPS (buses and light rail vehicles)	\$ 18,000
T1 lines	\$ 9,000
Wireless phone service	\$ 120,000
Wireless devices and accessories	\$ 6,500
Land line service (local/long distance)	\$ 184,000
Desk phones	\$ 9,000
Pay phones	\$ 29,000
Hot spots for trains and buses	\$ 9,500
Phone system software and equipment	\$ 50,000
Recording devices and messaging	\$ 5,000

Staff recommends the Board delegate authority to the General Manager/CEO to execute agreements to access the State of California and Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) telecommunications and equipment contracts.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-08-_____

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

August 13, 2012

DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AND PRODUCTS THROUGH COMPETITIVELY BID CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN STATES CONTRACTING ALLIANCE FOR TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AND PRODUCTS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized to order telecommunications services and products through the State of California, under the State's membership in the Western States Contracting Alliance ("WSCA"), for a period of 5 years and for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized to submit and execute any applications, forms, agreements or other documents required by the State of California or telecommunications service providers under WSCA to purchase telecommunications services and products, as authorized in this Resolution.

THAT, the authority conferred by this Resolution will remain in effect for a period of 5 years from the date of adoption hereof.

BONNIE PANNELL, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary