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**DATE:** March 11, 2024  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Carmen Alba, VP, Operations  
**SUBJ:** CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR TRACK GEOMETRY TESTING WITH HOLLAND, L.P.

### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

### RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Awarding this Contract will allow for performance of track geometry testing for the required track geometry inspections of the rails scanning for elevation defects.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The five-year contract has a total not to exceed amount of \$230,110.02 based upon the estimate number of days and hours to complete the annual services. The \$43,006.26 for Year 1 is included in the approved FY 24-25 Operating Budget. All future year costs will be included in the Operating Budget for the relevant fiscal year, including \$44,425.00 for FY 25-26, \$46,128.76 for FY 26-27, \$47,750.00 for FY 27-28, and \$48,800.00 for Year 5 of the contract.

### DISCUSSION

SacRT is required to perform annual track geometry inspections to test and inspect for track strength and surface defects to meet Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) requirements of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 213 for approximately 85 miles of track.

On August 30, 2023, SacRT released a Request for Proposals on PlanetBids e-Procurement system for Track Geometry Services for a 5-year term with 2 option years. There were 445 vendors notified of the contracting opportunity. On November 1, 2023, SacRT received two proposals as follows:

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| 1. | Holland, L.C. | \$230,110.02 |
| 2. | MERMEC Inc    | \$422,528.00 |

The proposal from MERMEC was determined to be materially non-responsive because the firm did not provide client references and, in addition, failed to offer a required software solution allowing for multiple run data to be overlaid for comparison. Consequently, it was not evaluated or considered for award.

The selection committee deemed Holland, L.P.'s proposal to be the most advantageous to SacRT, and SacRT began negotiations with Holland, L.P. regarding its exceptions to SacRT's terms and conditions, which include offering a very limited warranty and indemnification for negligent work as well as other less significant changes. After management agreed to accept the significant changes, a Notice of Intent to Award was issued February 5, 2024. However, after issuance of the Notice of Intent to Award, it was determined that a few of the contract exceptions were not finally resolved. SacRT is currently awaiting approval from Holland, L.P. of the final form of Contract, so a conditional award is being requested at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03-022

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

March 11, 2024

**CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR TRACK GEOMETRY TESTING WITH HOLLAND, L.P.**

WHEREAS, the Light Rail system has 85 miles of track that requires annual track geometry inspection as required by 49 Code of Federal Regulations § 213.57 that looks for surface defects on the track; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee deemed Holland, L.P.'s proposal to be the most advantageous to SacRT.

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

THAT, the Contract for Track Geometry Testing by and between the Sacramento Regional Transit District (therein "SacRT") and Holland, L.P. (therein "Contractor"), whereby Contractor agrees to perform annual track geometry testing and inspection services for an amount not to exceed \$230,110.02 for a five-year term, with a SacRT option to extend for up to two additional years, is hereby approved, conditioned upon acceptance by Contractor of the final form of contract.

THAT, the Chair and General Manager/CEO are hereby authorized and directed to execute the foregoing contract upon satisfaction of the specified condition.

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PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary