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Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

To: Governing Board

Meeting Date: June 1, 2023

From: Michael C. Leue, Chief Executive Officer 

Subject: APPROVE Agreements for Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management Services with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc. (C0912) and NRC Environmental Services, Inc. (C0913) for a 3-year term and compensation not-to-exceed \$50,000 for each firm

Recommendation:

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to execute agreements for Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management Services in a not to exceed amount of \$50,000 per firm for a three-year term with these two service providers:

1. Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc. - Agreement No. C0912 for \$50,000 (Transmittal 1a)
2. NRC Environmental Services, Inc. - Agreement No. C0913 for \$50,000 (Transmittal 1b)

Discussion:

The Alameda Corridor Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management program responds to both emergency and non-emergency chemical spills, releases of regulated and/or hazardous materials, and abandoned wastes within the Alameda Corridor. The requests for these services come to ACTA from or in compliance with the Railroads, and State and Federal agencies, including the United States Coast Guard (USCG), United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). The Alameda Corridor requires the services of qualified Contractors to support and perform all phases of waste management on land, on or adjacent to railroad tracks and in the water. These include the containment of spills, and cleanup of releases, or abandoned waste on an as-needed basis.

ACTA published a Request for Proposals in February 2023 for Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management Services and received five proposals from local and minority firms. The list of firms that responded are provided in Transmittal 2.

Proposals were evaluated by a three-member selection panel composed of senior environmental staff from ACTA, Port of Long Beach and Port of Los Angeles. The proposals were scored utilizing the evaluation form provided in the RFP (Transmittal 3) The two highest scoring firms were recommended to enter agreements with ACTA and be available in an on-call pool for bidding or assignment on particular tasks. Both recommended firms have worked with ACTA before, and one is a local small minority business.

The selected On-call Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management firms will be available to respond to requests from ACTA to identify, categorize, remove, package, and recycle, or dispose of hazardous, non-hazardous, and regulated waste from the Corridor right-of-way in a cost-effective manner. By having two on-call firms, ACTA can request competitive bids to identify the best capabilities and value for each waste management task.

Budget Impact:

Funds for the Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management services are included in the FY24 Program and Operating Budget. Funds for future fiscal years will be brought to the Governing Board for approval.

Co-General Counsel Review:

ACTA's Co-General Counsel have reviewed and approved the proposed agreements as to form.

Transmittals:

Transmittal 1a – Agreement No. C0912 with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc.

Transmittal 1b – Agreement No. C0913 with NRC Environmental Services, Inc.

Transmittal 2 – List of Proposers

Transmittal 3 – Evaluation Criteria