

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED AWARD

60-FT. ARTICULATED BUSES

Presented to: Committee of the Whole August 6, 2013



- Transit agencies use 60-ft. articulated vehicles to improve cost effectiveness and carry more passengers.
- In Cleveland, the HealthLine RTVs are the prime example of this strategy.
- RTA also uses 60-ft. buses on Lorain Ave.
 (#22) and Detroit Ave. (#26)



- RTA needs 5 more 60-ft. buses for those two routes to serve growing ridership with dependable service
- RTA will use 60-ft. buses on Clifton Blvd.
 (#55) when the project is done
- Clifton will need eighteen 60-ft. buses
- In total RTA needs to buy 23: 5 more for Detroit & Lorain and 18 for Clifton















- 2014 Capital Bus Program
 - (34) (40 ft.) Coaches with option up to 240 over next 5 years
 - Strategy for Articulated Bid or -Investigate Option availability.



Research

- Two makers of Articulated buses that are Buy America compliant
- Reviewed elements of other Transit Authority's options.
 - Florida, Connecticut, Rochester, San Diego, Virginia & Minnesota DOT

Review

- Bus & Components
- Number of vehicles available
- Delivery Schedule
- Pricing



- Review (continued)
 - Warranty
 - Training
 - Contract Spare Parts
 - Tooling
- Minnesota DOT most advantageous
- Other Transit Authorities using Minnesota DOT options:
 - Orange County (OCTA)
 - San Antonio (VIA)



ADVANTAGES:

- Endorsed by the FTA and complies with 49 CFR ~18.36
 - Full and Open Competition
- Reduces Procurement Time Line
- Delivery of Buses will support RTA Timeline
- Price is cost effective



ADVANTAGES:

- Responsive to RTA Vehicle Requirements
- Agreement with GCRTA Contract Terms.
- Buy America Compliant
- Includes Extended Warranty
- RTA Familiarity with the Bus
 - Service, Maintenance, Inventory



- Current New Flyer Customers
 - New Jersey Transit
 - SORTA
 - MARTA
 - BART
 - Lane Transit
 - Seattle

- MBTA
- CTA
- Everett
- Lansing
- Minneapolis
- Honolulu
- New York



Recommendation:

• Staff requests that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Board of Trustees an award to New Flyer of America Inc. for the Furnishing of 23 Articulated Low Floor Coaches at a Price Not To Exceed \$16,330,000.