

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED AWARD

TIRE AND WHEEL MAINTENANCE SERVICES & LEASING OF RADIAL TIRES

Presented to: Organizational, Services & Performance
Monitoring Committee

November 4, 2025

Project Overview

Tire Lease and Maintenance Five (5) Year Contract

GCRTA Tire Requirements

- Approximately 470 coaches
- Coaches average 50,000 miles per year
- Six (6) tires per coach, Ten (10) tires per articulated coach

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- GCRTA operates hundreds of rubber-tired vehicles providing public transportation throughout Cuyahoga County
- To successfully manage this revenue service, GCTRA must contract a tire lease program to allow a qualified tire company to inspect, service, maintain, install and dispose of tires for all bus fleets

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- Contracting the tire service to a qualified vendor allows the GCRTA's maintenance staff to focus on bus maintenance, and components such as engines, transmissions and wheel-chair assemblies
- The tire lease service is critical to the operations of GCRTA

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Contractor Responsibilities

- Ensure tires are defect free when received
- Tires are serialized for asset tracking
- Furnish all tire materials & labor to maintain fleet
- Inspect each tire's tread-depth twice per month
- Check & correct air pressure in each tire at least twice per month
- Dismount, mount, balance & rotate tires to maximize tire mileage

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- The contractor is offering a drive-over tire measurement service (Quick Scan) which will improve service reliability and reduce operating costs
- Technology offered at no cost to the Authority
- The Quick Scan reader will provide multiple advantages to the Authority

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High-resolution cameras capture images of tire sidewalls and vehicle identification



Magnetic scanners embedded in ground to measure tread depth automatically

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Quick Scan Benefits to the Authority

- Zero cost to fleet
- Continuously captures data, as opposed to monthly
- Irregular wear included in data - pressure alerts
- Tread depth and PSI variances
- Data can be used to predict other maintenance issues
- Data emailed to fleet
- Predictive wear for forecasting

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- Quick Scan's data can be used to predict other maintenance issues, such as alignment
- This would greatly benefit Maintenance and Safety
- Addressing misalignment early will help prevent collisions and curbing while also decreasing service interruptions
- Technology estimated to cost \$250,000 per reader
 - Three locations totaling a \$750,000 value

Procurement Overview

- RFP issued July 27, 2025
- Five (5) interested parties downloaded the package
- Two (2) vendors proposed

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Evaluation Criteria:

- Manufacturer's Reputation and Performance
- Product Design and Performance
- Cost Effectiveness/Price

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Evaluation Panel Members:

- Fleet Management/Engineering
- Supply Chain/Inventory
- Office of Management & Budget
- Training & Employee Development
- Procurement

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Recommended Vendor:

- Michelin North America Inc.

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Experience:

- 50+ years operating tire leases
- Approximately 23,500 employees
- 34,000 vehicles on contract
- Sell approximately 250,000 tires annually to transit agencies and motor coach companies

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Experience:

- Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (Cleveland, Ohio)
- New Jersey Transit (Newark, NJ)
- Port Authority of Allegheny (Pittsburgh, PA)
- Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (Boston, MA)
- Miami-Dade Transit (Miami, Fl)

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Staff requests that the Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees the award of a contract to Michelin North America, Inc. for Tire and Wheel Maintenance Services and Leasing of Radial Tires in an amount not to exceed \$8,782,484.85 for a five-year period.

Questions