# Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

## Summary of Proposed Award for a Rail Overhead Catenary Repair Vehicle

Presented to: Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee November 13, 2018



 The Overhead Catenary Repair Vehicle is a specialized, electrically insulated, heavy duty truck equipped with a two man bucket, platform and hi-rail equipment used to repair 600V DC powered overhead catenary along the rail line.

• The GCRTA is in need to replace the current Overhead Catenary Repair Vehicle. The existing equipment was purchased in 1988 and is beyond its useful life and is needed to maintain the State of Good Repair (SOGR) for the Overhead Catenary system.

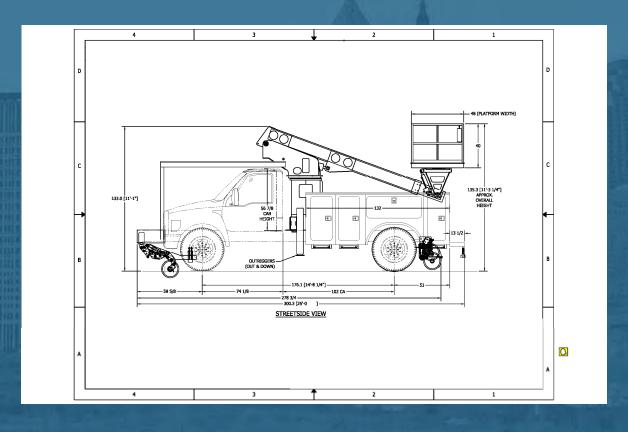
- To maintain safe conditions of the overhead catenary power and to sustain reliable and cost effective service of the rail line, a new Overhead Catenary Repair Vehicle is now required.
- Delivery of new vehicle expected to be 12 months after Notice to Proceed.













- o IFB was issued on March 12, 2018
- IFB downloaded by 21 interested parties.
- No responsive bids were received on April 26, 2018.
- Determination made to proceed with a Request for Proposal.



- RFP was issued on August 8, 2018
- RFP downloaded by 23 interested parties
- One proposal was received on September6, 2018

- Interested parties contacted to find out why they didn't propose. Reasons included:
  - Inexperience building specialty vehicles with critical electrical insulation requirements
  - Companies did not want to invest time and money to engineer one specialty vehicle



**Evaluation Panel Members:** 

- Fleet Management
- o Engineering
- o Rail, Power & Way
- o Rail, Traction Power
- o Procurement



#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- Proposers Reputation and Performance
- Proposers Design and Performance
- Pricing/Cost Proposal



Recommended Vendor:

- Valley Ford Truck, Inc.
  - oCleveland, Ohio
  - o 0 % DBE Goal assigned due to lack of certified DBE firms.



#### Experience:

 Valley Ford Truck, Inc. is a proven leader in the industry for building specialized and complicated vehicles for the commercial industry.

- Current Client Base includes:
  - GCRTA
  - City of Cleveland
  - First Energy
  - Potomac Electric Company
  - Baltimore Gas
  - Long Island Railroad



#### Recommendation:

Staff requests that the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees the award of a contract to Valley Ford Truck, Inc., for the purchase of one Rail Overhead Catenary Repair vehicle in an amount not to exceed \$337,998.32.

