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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Tom Schamber, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Contract No. PO1048-27 Diesel Fuel and Diesel Exhaust Fluid - Recommendation to Award - Mansfield Oil Company

Issue

The Authority requires diesel fuel (fuel) and diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) to operate its locomotives and Diesel Multiple Units (DMU). Fuel and DEF are delivered in bulk to the Authority's maintenance facilities and in regular and on-call trackside deliveries at various locations.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to award Contract No. PO1048-27 to Mansfield Oil Company for a not-to-exceed amount of \$71,936,606.00 for the purchase of diesel fuel and diesel exhaust fluid. The term of the contract will be for a one-year base period with a single one-year option to be exercised at the sole discretion of the CEO. This recommendation is subject to the resolution of any timely filed protests.

Strategic Commitment

This report aligns with the Strategic Business Plan commitment of:

- **Advancing Key Regional Goals:** We will grow the role of regional rail in addressing climate change, air quality, and other pressing issues by advancing toward zero emissions, making rail a compelling alternative to single-occupant automobiles and advancing equity-focused opportunities for all communities throughout Southern California. This contract is intended for the purchase of renewable diesel which reduces emissions when compared to Petroleum Diesel.

Background

The Authority utilizes renewable diesel and DEF to operate its fleets of locomotives and Diesel Multiple Units (DMUs).

Fuel and DEF are currently delivered in bulk to the Authority's maintenance facilities CMF and EMF and in regular on-call trackside deliveries at various locations under Contract No. PO961-24, which expires on September 30, 2026. Contract No. PO1048-27 will replace Contract No. PO961-24 which will provide the Authority the ability to continue purchasing the renewable diesel and DEF needed to support Metrolink's and Arrow's operations for the next two years.

Discussion

On May 15, 2026, the Authority issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) No. PO1048-27 for the purchase of Diesel Fuel and Diesel Exhaust Fluid. The IFB was posted on the Authority's online procurement portal and notifications were sent to 478 registered firms. The Authority also advertised the IFB in publications in the five member counties and in diversity newspapers. Thirty prospective proposers viewed the IFB on the procurement portal. Six prospective proposers attended the virtual Pre-Bid Conference held on May 20, 2026.

The Authority received four bids by the submission date of July 6, 2026. All the submitted bids were found to be responsive and responsible. The bids are listed in the table below. Please note that the bids are exclusive of taxes as the taxes are based on the delivery locations at the time of delivery.

	ICE	Enpramex Distribution USA	Mansfield Oil Company	Pinnacle Petroleum	SC Fuels
Base Year	\$37,573,899.42	\$32,794,420.02	\$32,708,771.90	\$32,805,219.15	\$35,025,733.65
Option Year	\$37,573,899.42	\$32,794,420.02	\$32,708,771.90	\$32,805,219.15	\$35,025,733.65
Total	\$75,147,798.84	\$65,588,840.04	\$65,417,543.80	\$65,610,438.29	\$70,051,467.30
+ / -	-	-12.72%	-12.95%	-12.69%	-6.78%

The bid from Mansfield Oil Company is 12.95% below the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE) and found to be fair and reasonable.

Budget Impact

The amount for which contract authority is requested for the first nine months of the contract (\$27,374,784) is included in the proposed Operating Budget for FY27 and is contingent upon its adoption by the Board. Funding for subsequent years (FY28 and 1st quarter of FY29) will be requested through the annual budget process. There is no financial commitment with respect to subsequent years and work will be authorized only if funding is approved.

Next Steps

Upon award by the Board, Contract No. PO1048-27 for Diesel Fuel and Diesel Exhaust Fluid will be executed with Mansfield Oil Company in an amount not-to-exceed of \$71,936,606, which includes a one-year base period and a single one-year option.

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Attachment(s)

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