

Committee Report

T Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 12, 2007

Item: 2007-392

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: December 5, 2007

Subject: Authorization for Sole-Source Purchase of Rail Tire Kits

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to purchase, during 2008, rail truck tire kits on a sole-source basis from Penn Machine Company in an amount not to exceed \$325,000.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Chris Gran, Director of Purchasing, and Eugene Sheldon, Rail Vehicle Maintenance Manager, presented the item. There were no questions from the committee.

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Executive Summary

Item: 2007-392

Meeting date: November 26, 2007

For the Metropolitan Council meeting December 12, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	November 19, 2007
Subject:	Authorization for Sole-Source Purchase of Rail Tire Kits
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Brian Lamb, General Manager, 612-349-7510 Vincent Pellegrin, Chief Operating Officer, Bus & Rail 612-341-5612 Sheri Gingerich, Deputy Chief Opr Officer, Rail, 612-341-5660 Ed Toomey, Director Rail Vehicle Maintenance, 612-341-5605 Chris Gran, Director of Purchasing, 612-349-5060
Division/Department:	Metro Transit Rail Vehicle Maintenance

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to purchase, during 2008, rail truck tire kits on a sole-source basis from Penn Machine Company in an amount not to exceed \$325,000.

Issue

Sole source procurements valued at greater than \$250,000 must be authorized by the Council.

Overview and Funding

During 2008, Metro Transit expects to need 108 center truck tire kits and 72 power truck tire kits to replace worn out tires for a total of 180 truck tire kits. Each kit is estimated to cost \$1,800 for a total cost of \$325,000.

Penn Machine Company is the sole source for truck tire kits for Metro Transit's light rail vehicles. The tire kits are designed specifically for Metro Transit's vehicle and are not available from any other source.

Metro Transit has assembled its expected ongoing sole source purchases during 2008. This sole source request with Penn Machine Company is the only request expected to exceed \$250,000.

Funds are available for this purchase in Metro Transit's operating budget.