SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.                SUBJECT: Federal Transit Administration Section 5309 Grant Application
COMMITTEE:              Operations & Maintenance
COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: May 21, 2008
BOARD ACTION DATE:      June 11, 2008

PROPOSAL: That the DRPA Commission authorize staff to prepare an application to the Federal Transit Administration for Section 5309 funds in the amount of $7,034,310 for PATCO capital improvements having a total planned project cost of $8,792,888. Also, that the DRPA Commission authorize the non-federal matching share which must be provided by the authority in the amount of $1,758,578 or 20% of the total.

PURPOSE: To make application to the federal government for FY08 FTA capital funds for PATCO improvements in the amount of $7,034,310. These funds must be matched by the Authority in the amount of $1,758,578.

BACKGROUND: The Federal Transit Administration Section 5309 program makes funds available from previously agreed distributions within the Greater Philadelphia area. Federal Transit Law mandates that applications be advanced in relation to adopted regional programs for transportation improvements. This application contains programs which are part of the approved Transportation Improvement Program of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for FY08.

Staff is now preparing an application which requests funding under 49 U.S.C. 5309 for use in the advancement of nine capital projects:
1. Electrical Cable Replacement
2. Viaducts
3. Lindenwold Yard Tie Renewal
4. Center Tower Modernization
5. Parking Lot Improvements
6. Purchase/Rebuild PATCO Cars
7. Retaining Walls
8. Smoke and Fire Control
9. Accessibility Improvements
10. BFB Anchorage/Track Improvements

The accompanying resolution has been drawn to satisfy federal requirements concerning specific Board approvals which are necessary to the grant approval process.
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O&M 6/11/08
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Source of Funds: Project Fund 20% $1,758,578
Capital Project #: FT8705; FT0503; PF9903; PF0705;
PF0009; PF06033
Master Plan Status: 2005 Update to Master Plan
Other Fund Sources: Federal Transit Administration 80%
$7,034,310
Duration of Contract: Grant Completion
Other Parties Involved: Federal Transit Administration
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Delaware River Port Authority be and hereby are authorized to execute and file an application in proper form on behalf of the Authority with the U.S. Department of Transportation, requesting financial assistance pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5309 in the amount of $7,034,310 and to expend such funds from FY08 appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Authority be and hereby are authorized to negotiate an agreement to commit Authority funds in the amount of $1,758,578 and to expend such funds as a non-federal contribution to secure the federal grant; and be it further

RESOLVED: The Chair, Vice Chair and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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