

SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.: DRPA-17-055

**SUBJECT: Contract No. BF-46-2016(R),
Benjamin Franklin Bridge South
Walkway Bicycle and Pedestrian Ramp**

COMMITTEE:

Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE:

August 1, 2017

BOARD ACTION DATE:

August 16, 2017

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a construction contract with the firm of South State, Inc. to construct the Benjamin Franklin Bridge South Walkway Bicycle and Pedestrian Ramp.

Amount: \$7,888,346.23

**Contractor: South State, Inc.
202 Reeves Road
Bridgeton, NJ 08302**

Other Bidders:	Railroad Construction Co.	\$8,494,857.80
	A.P. Construction	\$9,447,252.00
	IEW Construction Group	\$10,317,128.00
	JPC Group, Inc.	\$10,803,902.00

Engineers Estimate: \$8,621,773.00

DBE Goal: 15%

**Contractor
Proposed
DBE Commitments: 15%**

PURPOSE:

To perform all work required to construct a new ramp structure to replace the existing stairway located on the south side of the Bridge in Camden. The proposed improvements will facilitate bicycle and pedestrian access between Philadelphia and Camden and provide access to the South Walkway for physically disabled persons.

BACKGROUND:

Walkways are provided along the north and south sides of the Bridge for pedestrian and bicycle traffic. On the Camden side, both the North and South Walkways terminate at stairways that rise 25 feet above street level. Neither walkway is accessible to individuals who are

physically disabled or impaired, and bicyclists are required to walk up the stairs and carry or push their bicycles up and down using steel plates installed on the edge of the steps. The proposed ramp will facilitate use by pedestrians and bicyclists between Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The project was publicly advertised and bid documents were offered to the public beginning on June 5, 2017 with a bid opening date of July 19, 2017. Thirteen (13) sets of documents were sold. A total of five (5) bids were received. The low responsive and responsible bid was submitted by South State, Inc. in the amount of \$7,888,346.23.

Staff has completed the evaluation of bids and recommends that the contract be awarded to South State, Inc., in the amount of \$7,888,346.23 as the low responsive and responsible bidder.

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	Source of Funds:	2013 Revenue Bonds and General Fund
		\$3,710,162.00 (47%)
	Capital Project #:	BF1302
	Operating Budget:	N/A
	Master Plan Status:	N/A
	Other Fund Sources:	Federal Highway Administration /
		New Jersey Department of Transportation
		Transportation Alternatives Program
		\$3,786,000.00 (48%)
		Delaware Valley Regional Planning
		Commission Regional Trails Program
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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Commissioners of the Delaware River Port Authority accepts the bid of \$7,888,346.23 to construct the Benjamin Franklin Bridge South Walkway Bicycle and Pedestrian Ramp, and that the proper officers of the Authority be and hereby are authorized to negotiate a contract with South State, Inc. for the required work in an amount not to exceed \$7,888,346.23, as per the attached Summary Statement; and be it further

RESOLVED: The Chairman, Vice Chairman 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 Chairman, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chairman or Vice Chairman 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 Chairman and Vice Chairman 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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