



**BOARD MEETING**  
August 15, 2002

Metropolitan  
Transportation  
Authority

One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA  
90012-2952

**SUBJECT: SWEEPING SERVICES**

**ACTION: AMEND CONTRACT OP35600906A WITH NATIONWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a second amendment to Contract No. OP35600906A with Nationwide Environmental Services to provide power sweeping services for Metro bus facilities and the street running sections of the Metro Blue Line in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to extend the term of the contract for a period of four months increasing the total contract value from \$1,266,335 to \$1,366,335.

**RATIONALE**

MTA bus and rail operating division yards, parking lots, terminals, layovers and Blue Line street imbedded railroad tracks need to be kept free from trash and debris for system patrons and employees use. Frequent sweeping of the facilities is necessary to keep them clean and sanitary. In addition, the sweeping of the street running sections of the Blue Line tracks is necessary to remove any accumulated debris in the track grooves and switch points which may cause trains to derail.

Contract OP35600906A was awarded to Nationwide in October 1997 to provide power sweeping services for Metro bus facilities and the street running sections of the Blue Line for a period of five years, inclusive of two one-year options. The contract will expire on September 30, 2002. Efforts to procure a new multi-year contract were started in April 2002. However, a new AQMD regulation requiring sweeping contractors to use clean air CNG fueled sweepers, has delayed the issuance of the IFB because of modifications to the contract specification. Consequently, it is recommended that the current contract with Nationwide Environmental Services be extended for four additional months (October 2002 – January 2003) to avoid any interruption of service while the procurement of a new sweeping contract is completed.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funding of \$318,700 for this service is included in the fiscal year 2003 budget in Cost Center number 3344, under Project 300011, Task 11.3.01.4.01 and Project 300022, Task 22.7.02. Since this is a multi-year contract, the Cost Center Manager and Deputy Chief Executive Officer will be accountable for budgeting the cost in future years. In fiscal year 2002, \$256,446 was expended on this line item.

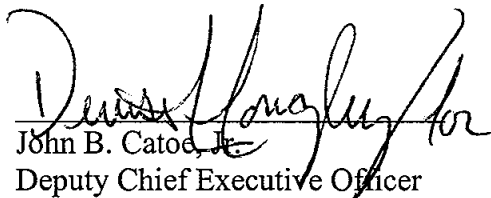
**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

There is no viable alternative to not extend the current contract term until a new contract is awarded. Interruption of sweeping services to MTA operating facilities will have a deleterious health and safety impact on MTA transit system users and employees.

**ATTACHMENT**

A. Procurement Summary

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Deputy Chief Executive Officer

  
Roger Snoble  
Chief Executive Officer

**BOARD REPORT ATTACHMENT A  
PROCUREMENT SUMMARY**

**Power Sweeping**

1.	Contract Number: OP35600906A		
2.	Recommended Vendor: Nationwide Environmental Services, Inc..		
3.	Cost/Price Analysis Information:		
	A. Bid/Proposed Price: \$100,000	Recommended Price: \$100,000	
	B. Details of Significant Variances are in Attachment A-1.D		
4.	Contract Type: Firm Fixed Unit Rate		
5.	Procurement Dates:		
	A. Issued: N/A		
	B. Advertised: N/A		
	C. Pre-proposal Conference: N/A		
	D. Proposals Due: N/A		
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: N/A		
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: August 1997		
6.	Small Business Participation:		
	A. Bid/Proposal Goal: DBE Goal 18%	Date Small Business Evaluation Completed: June 17, 1997	
	B. Small Business Commitment: 32.4%		
7.	Invitation for Bid/Request for Proposal Data:		
	Notifications Sent: N/A	Bids/Proposals Picked up: N/A	Bids/Proposals Received: N/A
8.	Evaluation Information:		
	A. Bidders/Proposers Names: <u>Nationwide Inc.</u>	Bid/Proposal Amount: \$100,000	<u>Best and Final Offer</u> Amount: \$100,000
	B. Evaluation Methodology: N/A		
9.	Protest Information:		
	A. Protest Period End Date: N/A		
	B. Protest Receipt Date: N/A		
	C. Disposition of Protest Date: N/A		
10.	Contract Administrator: Frank Clarke	Telephone Number: (213) 922-1067	
11.	Project Manager: Hussein Farah	Telephone Number: (213) 922-8877	

**BOARD REPORT ATTACHMENT A-1  
PROCUREMENT SUMMARY**

A. Background of Contractor

Nationwide Environmental Services specializes in providing quality sweeping services using state of the art equipment and is headquartered in Norwalk, California. Nationwide has been providing sweeping services since 1968. Some of their current municipal customers include the cities of Carson, El Monte, Huntington Beach, Montebello, and Norwalk.

Nationwide's performance at the MTA under contract OP35600906A has been satisfactory to date.

B. Procurement Background

On Sept. 11, 1997, the Board awarded a contract to Nationwide Environmental Services to provide regular power sweeping services for bus transit facilities and the street running sections of the Blue Line right-of-way for an amount NTE \$1,266,335. Of this amount, \$707,835 is for basic services for a three-year period, \$494,198 is for two one-year options, and \$60,302 (5%) is for as-needed sweeping services.

C. Evaluation of Bids

Not Applicable

D. Price Analysis and Explanation of Variances

The original recommended Contract price was determined to be fair and reasonable.

This contract has a firm fixed hourly rate of \$57.00 for the five (5) year term of this contract. All rates of the existing contract will apply to any additional and future work to the original scope of work during the duration of this contract. Nationwide's contract rate was also favorably compared to the average rates from the State of California Department of Labor Wage Determination rates and competitively bid rates from 1997 escalated to 2002.

**BOARD REPORT ATTACHMENT A-2  
LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS**

**PRIME CONTRACTOR –**

Small Business Commitment

Other Subcontractors

Total Tires, Inc. (dba Harbor Tire Service) 32.40%

Total Commitment: The MTA had established a DBE goal of 18% for this Contract. The recommended awardee Nationwide Environmental Services exceeded the goal and committed to 32.40%.