OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee concurred with the staff recommendation to approve a four month extension to Contract No. 5720 with Excel Security Services Inc., covering security guard services for six of the MTA's operating divisions for the period September 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995 at an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

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SUBJECT:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO.5720 WITH EXCEL SECURITY SERVICES, INC. FOR SECURITY GUARD SERVICES FOR THE MTA'S OPERATING

DIVISIONS

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RECOMMENDATION

Consider Chief Executive Officer's report containing a recommendation to extend Contract No. 5720 with Excel Security Services Inc. (Excel), Gardena, covering security guard services for six of the MTA's operating divisions, for the period September 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995, at an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000. Total contract amount shall be increased to \$2,742,000. This contractor provides security guard services for the MTA's bus operation properties not staffed by MTA security guards.

DBE PARTICIPATION

The DBE participation goal for this contract is 25%.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

An alternative to extending the contract with Excel would be to hire and deploy additional MTA security guards at the same service level as is currently being provided by Excel. At the present time, MTA does not employ a sufficient number of in-house security guards to perform this function. The time and expense of recruiting, testing, hiring and training additional MTA staff for this function would not be cost-effective at this time.

IMPACT ON BUDGET AND OBJECTIVES

The costs for outside security guard services are funded under Account No. 50304 of the MTA's Operating Budget.

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BACKGROUND

The MTA currently has 59 authorized security guard positions under the supervision of the Transit Police Department. Their duties are to provide security throughout MTA's bus operation locations. There are six additional MTA properties that require security and currently are staffed by Excel. The Transit Police Department is responsible for oversight and monitoring the performance of this contractor.

Eighteen security guards from Excel are deployed at these six MTA properties over a 24-hour period on weekdays and an additional guard is added on weekends.

CONTRACT HISTORY OVERVIEW

A labor rate contract was awarded to Excel Security Systems as a result of a competitive selection process under RFP 91-96 in 1992. The contract contained two renewability options for additional one-year periods. Each option was exercised in 1993 and 1994 respectively. The period of performance for this contract expires July 31, 1995. Sufficient funds remain to extend this contract through August 31, 1995. Staff has prepared a contract amendment to cover this period.

A new solicitation will be issued during the month of August and an award recommendation is expected to be presented at the November Board Meeting. Approximately four months is needed to allow time for the competitive selection process to be undertaken and completed.

There has been no increase in the labor rate under this contract since 1993. There shall be no rate increase for the extension period.

CONCLUSION

It is in the best interests of the MTA to proceed with the recommended action.

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