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## RCC BOARD RECOMMENDS AWARDS OF THREE METRO RAIL CONSTRUCTION-RELATED CONTRACTS

The Board of Directors of the Rail Construction Corporation (RCC) voted Monday, Aug. 15, to recommend to the MTA Board the awarding of three Metro Rail constructionrelated contracts. The MTA Board meets Wednesday, Aug. 24.

The RCC Board recommended awarding a \$70,757,806 contract to Tutor-Saliba-Perini of Sylmar for construction of the Hollywood/Highland Metro Red Line station. The contract includes demolition of an underground parking structure, construction of the station and an entrance plaza and structure.

The Hollywood/Highland station is significant because it will be the final subway station to be built south of the Santa Monica Mountains. Two stations currrently are planned in Universal City and in North Hollywood to serve the San Fernando Valley.

Tutor-Saliba-Perini's bid was lowest of three responsive bidders for the project. The second low bidder was Kajima/Ray Wilson of Pasadena, with a bid of \$71,941,522. Both firms were required to meet MTA criteria for good faith efforts to achieve a 30 percent DBE goal.

The RCC Board voted to recommend the award of a \$2,469,300 contract to Rocla Concrete Tie, Inc., of Denver for manufacture and delivery of concrete ties and rail fastenings for the Pasadena Blue Line.

Rocla's bid was lowest of five bidders. The second low bidder was The Niobrara River Company of Glendale at \$2,560,975. Both firms met the MBE goal of 10 percent and the WBE goal of 5 percent.

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The RCC Board also voted to recommend the award of a \$244,000 contract to Kruze & Kruze of Rancho Cucamonga to demolish and clear a Red Line Segment 3 site in North Hollywood.

The Kruze & Kruze bid was lowest of four responsive bids. The second low bidder was Ace Engineering of Los Angeles at \$284,100. Both firms met the DBE goal of 49 percent.

Winning bids for all three contracts were below engineers' cost estimates for those projects.

In other action, the RCC Board voted to authorize Engineering Management Consultants (EMC) to award a one-year, not-to-exceed \$1.5 million contract to Kal Krishnan Consulting Services, Inc. of Los Angeles for facilities estimating, cost engineering and scheduling services. This firm also met the MTA's DBE goal.

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