DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Fiscal Year 2017 Low or No Emission Grant Program Project Selections

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of project selections; Low or No Emission Grants Program announcement of project selections.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the selection of projects with Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 appropriations for the Low or No Emission Grants Program (Low-No Program). Federal transit law authorized \$55 million for competitive allocations in FY 2017. On April 27, 2017, FTA published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcing the availability of \$55 million in competitive funding under the Low-No Program. These program funds will provide financial assistance to purchase or lease low or no emission vehicles that use advanced technologies, including related equipment or facilities, for transit revenue operations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for information regarding applying for the funds or program-specific information. A list of Regional Offices can be found at www.fta.dot.gov. Unsuccessful applicants may contact Tara Clark, Office of Program Management at (202) 366–2623, email: Tara.Clark@dot.gov, to arrange a proposal debriefing within 30 days of this announcement. A TDD is

available at 1–800–877–8339 (TDD/FIRS).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In response to the NOFO (82 FR 19447), FTA received 128 proposals from 40 states requesting \$515 million in Federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO. FTA is funding 51 projects as shown in Table 1 for a total of \$55 million, as authorized by Section 5339(c) of Title 49, United States Code.

Recipients selected for competitive funding should work with their FTA Regional Office to submit a grant application in FTA's Transit Award Management System (TrAMs) for the projects identified in the attached table to quickly obligate funds. Grant applications must only include eligible activities applied for in the original project application. Funds must be used consistent with the competitive proposal and for the eligible capital purposes established in the NOFO and described in the FTA Circular 5100.1.

In cases where the allocation amount is less than the proposer's total requested amount, recipients are required to fund the scalable project option as described the application. If the award amount does not correspond to the scalable option, for example due to a cap on the award amount, the recipient should work with the Regional Office to reduce scope or scale the project such that a complete phase or project is accomplished.

A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must

be used in the TrAMs application. Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than the date successful projects were first publicly announced, September 15, 2017. Pre-award authority does not guarantee that project expenses incurred prior to the award of a grant will be eligible for reimbursement, as eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon other requirements, such as planning and environmental requirements, having been met. For more about FTA's policy on pre-award authority, please see the FTA Fiscal Year 2017 Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information and Interim Guidance found in 82 FR 6692 (January 19, 2017). Post-award reporting requirements include submission of the Federal Financial Report and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMs as appropriate (see FTA.C.5010.1E). Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant. Selected projects that include partnerships have satisfied the competitive procurement requirement through the competitive selection process. FTA emphasizes that all other recipients must follow all third-party procurement guidance as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) and described in FTA.C.4220.1F. Funds are available for a period of 3 years. Accordingly, funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2020.

K. Jane Williams,

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TABLE 1-FY 17 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS

| State | Recipient | Project ID | Project description | Allocation |
|-------|--|----------------|--|------------|
| AK | Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities. | D2017-LWNO-001 | Purchase battery-electric buses, associated charging infrastructure and a back-up generator. | \$408,130 |
| AL | Alabama A&M University | D2017-LWNO-002 | Purchase battery-electric buses and a charging station | 1,000,000 |
| CA | City of Fairfield | D2017-LWNO-003 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure. | 1,225,000 |
| CA | City of Los Angeles, Department of Transportation. | D2017-LWNO-004 | Purchase battery-electric buses with a capitalized lease for the battery, and install charging stations. | 1,225,000 |
| CA | Napa Valley Transportation Authority | D2017-LWNO-005 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,092,250 |
| CA | Redding Area Bus Authority | D2017-LWNO-006 | Purchase battery-electric buses, charging and maintenance equipment, and conduct staff training. | 746,456 |
| CA | Antelope Valley Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-007 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 705,347 |
| CO | State of Colorado Department of Transportation. | D2017-LWNO-008 | Purchase battery-electric buses for three rural transit operators. | 1,450,000 |
| CT | Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-009 | Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training. | 1,450,000 |
| DE | Delaware Transit Corporation | D2017-LWNO-010 | Purchase battery-electric buses and on-route/depot charging equipment. | 1,000,000 |
| FL | City of Gainesville | D2017-LWNO-011 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,000,000 |
| | Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-012 | Purchase battery-electric buses and on-route/depot chargers. | 1,000,000 |
| FL | The Jacksonville Transportation Authority. | D2017-LWNO-013 | Purchase battery-electric buses and chargers | 1,000,000 |

TABLE 1—FY 17 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS—Continued

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|-------|--|-----------------|--|------------|--|--|
| State | Recipient | Project ID | Project description | Allocation | | |
| FL | County of Broward | D2017-LWNO-014 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,000,000 | | |
| FL | City of Tallahassee | D2017-LWNO-015 | Purchase battery-electric buses and on-route chargers | 1,000,000 | | |
| GA | Georgia Department of Transportation | D2017-LWNO-016 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure. | 1,750,000 | | |
| HI | City and County of Honolulu | D2017-LWNO-017 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,450,000 | | |
| IA | Des Moines Area Regional Transit Au- | D2017-LWNO-018 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastruc- | 1,450,000 | | |
| ID | thority (DART). Mountain Rides Transportation Author- | D2017-LWNO-019 | ture. Purchase battery-electric buses and fast charging station | 500,000 | | |
| | ity. | D2017-LWINO-019 | Turchase battery-electric buses and last charging station | 300,000 | | |
| IL | Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System. | D2017-LWNO-020 | Purchase battery-electric buses and install solar panels to support charging infrastructure. | 1,450,000 | | |
| IL | Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit | D2017-LWNO-021 | Purchase hydrogen fuel-cell electric articulated buses and hydrogen fueling infrastructure. | 1,450,000 | | |
| IN | Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation. | D2017-LWNO-022 | Upgrade electrical infrastructure at operations facility to charge electric buses. | 1,450,000 | | |
| KY | Transit Authority of Lexington (Lextran) | D2017-LWNO-023 | Purchase battery-electric buses and two on-route charging stations. | 1,000,000 | | |
| LA | Capital Area Transit System | D2017-LWNO-024 | Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers and on route fast charger. | 500,000 | | |
| LA | Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government. | D2017-LWNO-025 | Purchase electric buses and overnight charging stations | 500,000 | | |
| MA | Massachusetts Department of Transportation. | D2017-LWNO-026 | Purchase battery-electric buses and an energy storage system. | 1,200,000 | | |
| MD | Montgomery County Maryland | D2017-LWNO-027 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,750,000 | | |
| MI | Mass Transportation Authority (Flint) | D2017-LWNO-028 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging stations | 500,000 | | |
| MN | Metropolitan Council/Metro Transit | D2017-LWNO-029 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment | 1,750,000 | | |
| MO | Bi-State Development Agency | D2017-LWNO-030 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment | 1,450,000 | | |
| MT | Missoula Urban Transportation District | D2017-LWNO-031 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 500,000 | | |
| NC | City of Asheville | D2017-LWNO-032 | Purchase battery-electric buses and chargers | 633,333 | | |
| NE | City of Lincoln, Nebraska | D2017-LWNO-033 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging stations | 1,450,000 | | |
| NJ | New Jersey Transit | D2017-LWNO-034 | Purchase battery-electric buses, charging equipment and conduct staff training. | 500,000 | | |
| NM | City of Las Cruces | D2017-LWNO-035 | Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and upgrade a maintenance facility. | 1,450,000 | | |
| NV | Tahoe Transportation District | D2017-LWNO-036 | Purchase one battery-electric bus | 850,000 | | |
| NY | Rochester Genesee Regional Trans- | D2017-LWNO-037 | Purchase electric buses, related maintenance equipment, | 1,000,000 | | |
| 011 | portation Authority. | D0047 LWNO 000 | and a charging system. | 1 750 000 | | |
| OH | Stark Area Regional Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-038 | Purchase hydrogen fuel-cell buses | 1,750,000 | | |
| OK | Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority. | D2017-LWNO-039 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment, and conduct staff training. | 797,550 | | |
| OR | Oregon Department of Transportation | D2017-LWNO-040 | Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training. | 1,450,000 | | |
| PA | Port Authority of Allegheny County | D2017-LWNO-041 | Purchase battery-electric buses, charging stations, and associated training. | 500,000 | | |
| SC | South Carolina Department of Transportation. | D2017-LWNO-042 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 1,450,000 | | |
| SC | Greenville Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-043 | Purchase battery-electric buses and chargers | 1,450,000 | | |
| TN | Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority | D2017-LWNO-044 | Purchase battery-electric buses and conduct staff training | 500,000 | | |
| TX | City of Lubbock/Citibus | D2017-LWNO-045 | Purchase battery-electric buses and on-route/depot charging equipment. | 1,750,000 | | |
| TX | VIA Metropolitan Transit | D2017-LWNO-046 | Purchase battery-electric buses, charging equipment, and conduct staff training. | 1,750,000 | | |
| UT | Utah Department of Transportation | D2017-LWNO-047 | Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers | 500,000 | | |
| VA | Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads. | D2017-LWNO-048 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment | 500,000 | | |
| VT | Vermont Agency of Transportation | D2017-LWNO-049 | Purchase battery-electric buses | 480,000 | | |
| WA | Kitsap County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority. | D2017-LWNO-050 | Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure. | 1,000,000 | | |
| WI | City of Madison | D2017-LWNO-051 | Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training. | 1,278,950 | | |

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