

# Notice of Intent to Award

**RFP Number and Title:** TPO-RFP-2009-01 – Long-Range Regional High-Speed and Intercity Passenger Rail Plan and Strategic Campaign for Federal and State Competitive Funds

**SERVICES:** Long-Range Transportation Plan

**ISSUE DATE:** November 23, 2009

The Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) has completed its evaluation in response to Request for Proposal (RFP) Number TPO-RFP-2009-01, issued November 23, 2009. A Selection Team evaluated the proposals based upon the criteria stated in the RFP and the oral presentations to select the offeror that submitted the most advantageous proposal. We announce our intent to award a contract to Transportation Economics & Management Systems, Inc. (TEMS). We have instructed the selected consultant to not begin work, purchase materials, or enter into subcontracts relating to the project until, the HRTPO Board has approved the contract, and both TEMS and the HRTPO sign the contract.

This Notice does not constitute the formation of a contract between the HRTPO and the apparent successful consultant. The consultant shall not acquire any legal or equitable rights to the contract services until a contract containing terms and conditions acceptable to the HRTPO is executed. If the apparent successful consultant fails to negotiate and execute a contract with the HRTPO, the HRTPO may revoke the award and award the contract to the next highest ranked consultant or withdraw the RFP. The HRTPO further reserves the right to cancel this Notice of Intent to Award at any time prior to the execution of a written contract.

An interested party may protest this Notice of intent to Award by submitting a written protest to Mr. Dwight L. Farmer, Executive Director/Secretary within ten (10) calendar days after the date of this notice. **The protest period will begin January 22, 2010 and end at the close of business on February 1, 2010.**