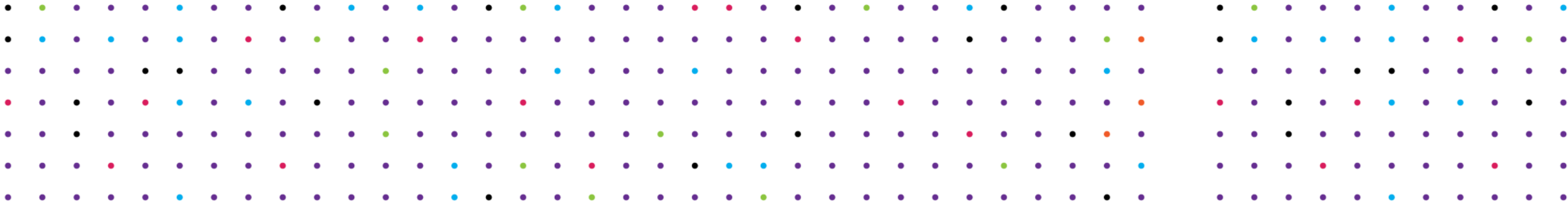


TAP Fare Media Manufacturing and Fulfillment Services

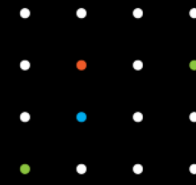


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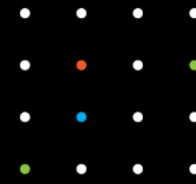
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Recommendation



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award the following five-year indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity (IDIQ) firm fixed unit price contracts for TAP fare media for Metro and TAP Partner agencies for a total Not-To-Exceed (NTE) amount of \$30,149,315 for the initial three-year term, and \$11,975,535 for the first, one-year option, and \$12,028,294 for the second, one-year option, for a total NTE cumulative amount of \$54,153,144, inclusive of sales tax, effective July 1, 2026, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s) if any.

Awardee & Bid Info



AWARDEES

- Manufacturing services:
 - Idemia America Corp.
 - Giesecke & Devrient ePayment America Inc.
 - Cole Ticket Solutions
 - Paragon ID High Point US, Inc.
- Fulfillment services:
 - Giesecke & Devrient ePayment America Inc.

NUMBER OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Discipline 1 - Manufacturing

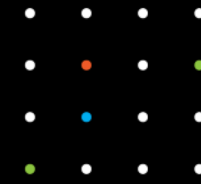
Rank	Proposer Name	Weighted Average Score
1	Idemia America Corp.	81.96%
2	Giesecke & Devrient ePayment America Inc.	79.27%
3	Cole Ticket Solutions	77.99%
4	Paragon ID High Point US, Inc.	62.68%

Discipline 2 - Fulfillment

Rank	Proposer Name	Weighted Average Score
1	Giesecke & Devrient ePayment America Inc.	97.94%



DEOD Information



DEOD completed its evaluation for Disciplines 1 and 2 proposals and determined that no goal was established due to the lack of certified small businesses that perform the required services.

- *Discipline 1 – TAP Contactless Smart Media Manufacturing*

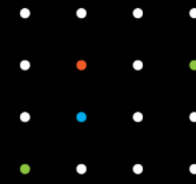
Prime	Paragon ID High Point US, Inc.	**Cole Ticket Solutions	Giesecke +Devrient ePayments America, Inc.	Idemia America Corp.
Subcontractor 1	Asia Credit Card Production LTD	Amlon Industries		
Subcontractor 2	Cardz Group			
Subcontractor 3	Wave Source, LLC			

Notes: **SBE Prime

- *Discipline 2 – Fare Media Fulfillment and Distribution*

Prime	Giesecke +Devrient ePayments America,
Subcontractor 1	





Issue

- Current contracts expire June 2026 and new contracts require approval
- 27 transit agencies in LA County rely on TAP fare media for fare payment
- Since program inception in 2006, approximately 45 million TAP cards have been issued

Discussion

- Fare media vendors produce TAP cards, wearables, and stickers for support of Metro and regional fares including Regular, Reduced Fare for seniors, persons with disabilities and students, GoPass and LIFE
- Fare media are distributed through TAP Vending Machines, retail networks, web and phone sales, and TAP Partner transit agencies