### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

**Division of Public Power** 

### **Request for Legislation**

An ordinance authorizing the Division of Cleveland Public Power to enter into one or more requirement contracts without competitive bidding with D.C. Bates Equipment Company for the purchase of proprietary parts and services as appropriate to install, maintain, repair and replace on an as needed basis POSI+ cable cart equipment. D.C. Bates Equipment Company is the sole representative to supply proprietary parts and services for their equipment. Legislation is to lead to a new contract for the term of two (2) years.

### Background/Purpose:

The legislation will give Cleveland Public Power (CPP) the authorization to purchase proprietary parts and services as appropriate to install, maintain, repair and replace on an as needed basis POSI+ cable cart equipment.

CPP has cable carts and 2 cable pulling trucks that the division maintains. The equipment is used for underground cable installation and/or removal. The carts allow CPP to have a full visual of the team when they are working on underground cable installation or removal, and when they are involved in all other applicable possible hazards that may exist in the area when working with high voltages. Additionally the equipment is important because it provides realtime information that improves safety factors for our employees tremendously.

### Scope of Work/Commodities/Services:

The direct award by requirement contract with D.C. Bates Equipment Company is needed to continue to provide proprietary equipment and services for CPP cable cart.

The contract will provide on an as needed basis installation, maintenance, repair and replacement of POSI+ equipment.

# Justification/Urgency:

D.C. Bates is the only company in North America that supplies repair parts for Posi+ Cable pulling equipment and with the legislation CPP will reduce the down time for these crucial vehicle by ensuring CPP is able to acquire repair parts in real time.

# Anticipated Costs and funding source:

CPP general operating fund. Anticipated Cost \$75,000 per year (\$150,000 for 2 years).

# Schedule or Term of Contract:

Legislation is to lead to a new requirement contract or contracts for a period up to two (2) years.