

## VDOT Roadway Lighting Energy Performance Contract

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## Background

## □ VDOT Maintains 50,000 Roadway Lighting Fixtures

- Majority High Pressure Sodium (HPS) bulbs, 5 years life
- Estimated 10%~25% outages

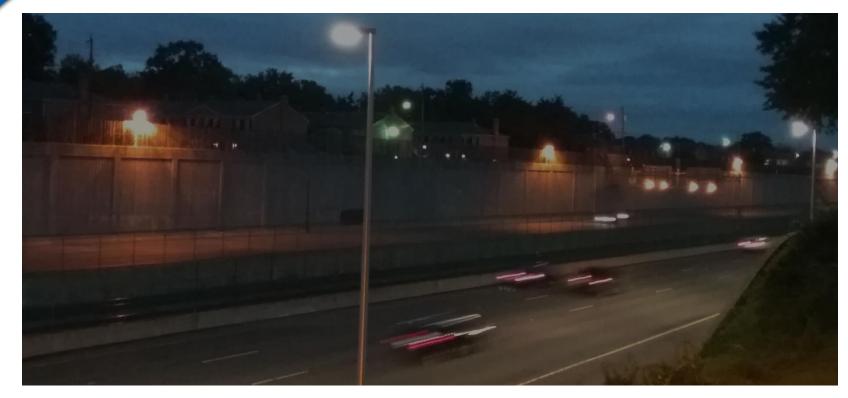
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#### Proven Light-emitting Diodes (LEDs) Lighting + Controls Technology

- Consumes 50%+ less energy
- Lasts three times longer compared to HPS, **15** years life
- Reduce Operations & Maintenance (O&M costs)
- Improve monitoring & response
- Improved color rendering contributes to safety
- Opportunities for future capabilities: Wi-Fi, veh. detection, CAV

"...no other lighting technology has more energy-saving potential than LED ..." - **US Department of Energy** 

## **LED Policy Guidance**



#### **Governor and General Assembly LED Mandates**

Executive Order 31 (issued October 2014)

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2017 Appropriation Act, Chapter 836 Item 80(H)

# **VDOT LED Strategic Migration Program**

### LED luminaires on <u>all</u> future exterior lighting projects

- Highway roadway lighting
- Parking lots (District/Residency/Area HQs, Park & Rides, Rest Areas, DMV Weigh Stations)
- Guide sign lighting

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- Underbridges and tunnels
- Replace existing lights through attrition & stand-alone projects
- Evaluate Energy Performance Contract in Fredericksburg, Richmond & Hampton Roads Districts

## **How EPC/ESCO Works**

## Energy Performance Contract (EPC):

- Energy-savings improvements financed with an available line of credit secured by future energy savings
- **Energy Service Contractor (ESCO)**:
  - Pre-approved design-build general contractor; combines a diagnostic front end & a guaranteed-savings back end

#### **ESCO Services**:

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- Develop package of feasible energy cost-reduction measures
- Annually track & report future energy consumption to DMME
- Provide guaranty; ESCO compensates agency if energy savings fall short

## **Sister Agency Roles**

#### Department of General Services

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(**DGS**) – competitively procures ESCO contractors & make available for any government agency use

Department of Mines, Minerals,
& Energy (DMME) – administers
the program and advises agencies

Department of Treasury (TRS) – oversees the Virginia Energy Leasing Program (VELP)







## **Example EPC Projects**

# \$761 million cumulative EPC investment since 2001 Virginia DMV headquarters renovation

- \$6.9 million project to replace chillers, windows, etc.
- \$284k/year savings and 36% energy reduction
- Completed October 2014

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#### □ Other state DOT lighting EPC or P3 projects

- Washington State & North Carolina (ESCO)
- Michigan, Arizona, & District of Columbia (P3)

*"Cumulative EPC projects Net Present Value Savings of \$180M+ from avoided costs that exceed debt service during and after repayment of the loan." - DMME ESCO Program* 

## **VDOT EPC Project Timeline**

- □ Late 2014/Early 2015: VDOT seeks proposals from DGSprocured ESCOs; Trane selected above other three responses
- □ <u>Apr 2015</u>: VDOT and Trane sign \$513,000 MOU for audit of CO facilities, rest areas, major tunnels, and roadway lighting
- <u>2015-2017</u>: ESCO energy audit evaluation, project development, roadway lighting inventory, equipment testing. Selected roadway lighting for a cost-effective EPC project
- □ <u>Aug 2017</u>: Contract negotiation
- □ <u>Sept 20, 2017</u>: CTB approval

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- Sept 30, 2017: DMME, Treasury, and Governor's office approval for contract award and VELP financing
- □ <u>Nov 2017</u>: Construction period start
- □ July 2019: Construction completion
- □ Fall 2034: Project completion, Guaranty period end

## **Proposed VDOT EPC Project**

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- Upgrade 9,627 existing lights in Fredericksburg, Richmond, and Hampton Roads Districts to LED
- Includes highway, park & ride, and rest area lights
- Install Lighting Controls System for monitoring and additional savings

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- □ Finance 15-year VELP loan
- □ Schedule
  - Expected construction completion July 2019
  - Energy guaranty contract through 2034





## **VDOT EPC Project Costs & Benefits**

Costs	Cost (Millions)
CONSTRUCTION COSTS **	\$15.9M
<b>Operating Costs (2018-2034):</b> Measurement & Verification (M&V) and Controls Interest Payment	\$1.0M \$3.4M
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS (over 15 years)	\$20.3M

Project Savings (2018-2034)	Savings (Millions)
Total energy savings	\$18.3M
Operations & Maintenance savings	\$9.2M
TOTAL PROJECT SAVINGS (over 15 Years)	\$27.5M

#### NET PROJECT SAVINGS (\$27.5M-\$20.3M) = \$7.2M

\*\* Include \$500K owner contingency & \$500K Pre-construction energy audit assessment cost