

ALASKA RAILROAD

Alaska Railroad Corporation

Notice of Intent to Amend Procurement Rules

Consistent with the requirements of Section AS 42.40.180 of the Alaska Railroad Corporation Act, the Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) hereby issues public notice of its intent to amend ARRC Board Rule No. 8, Procurement Rules for the Corporation, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on June 11, 2024 at the Alaska Railroad Headquarters, 327 West Ship Creek Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, 3rd Floor, in the James B. Blasingame Board Room. All Board meetings are open to the public.

A 15-day public comment period will commence on May 22, 2024, through June 5, 2024. Comments may be submitted by contacting Tom Erickson, ARRC Director, Supply Management either by email at public_comment@akrr.com or by phone at 907-265-2481 during the public notice period. Those who wish to comment in person may do so on June 5, 2024 at the above location between the hours of 1:30p.m. - 3:30p.m.

Individuals with a disability who may need special accommodations to participate in the public comment period should contact Tom Erickson, ARRC Director, Supply Management at 907-265-2481; TDD number 907-265-2620. Forty-eight hour's prior notice is requested to accommodate special needs.

Copies of the proposed rule changes are available by emailing the Board Secretary at mergensj@akrr.com or by calling 907-265-2481.

The following summarizes the proposed rule changes:

Board Rule No. 8 - Procurement Rules for the Corporation

Summary: State law requires the ARRC Board of Directors to adopt procurement procedures that are substantially equivalent to the procedures prescribed in the Alaska State Procurement Code and regulations promulgated thereunder. The primary reason for amending ARRC's Procurement Rules at this time is to incorporate changes in the State Procurement Code that have been enacted since the ARRC Procurement Rules were last revised in 2013.

The substantive revisions consist of: (1) provisions to allow electronic submission of bids and proposals, (2) an increase in the small procurement threshold to \$25,000 (3) addition of the construction manager general contractor procurement method, (4) additional exceptions to the procurement rules for development contracts in support of port facilities owned by ARRC, procurements in support of the ARRC Pension Plan, and certain purchases made by the ARRC security force.