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Agenda Item # 15

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

March 16, 2011

MOTION

Made By: Mr. McCarthy Seconded By: Mr. Bowie Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Rail Industrial Access – Smurfit Stone Corporation.

Location: Henrico County

WHEREAS, Section 33.1-221.1:1 of the *Code of Virginia* declares it to be in the public interest that access railroad tracks and facilities be constructed to certain industrial or commercial sites; and

WHEREAS, the Henrico County Board of Supervisors has, by resolution dated December 14, 2010, shown support for the application of \$294,458 in Industrial Access Railroad Track funds for assistance in construction of track to serve the Smurfit Stone Corporation facility rail spur improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Economic Development Partnership has, by letter dated February 23, 2011 shown support for the project and the application for rail access funds; and

WHEREAS, the Smurfit Stone Corporation new facility is located in Henrico County, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, this request falls within the intent of Section 33.1-221.1:1 and is in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Transportation Board's policy on the use of Industrial Access Railroad Track funds; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the funding formula established by said policy, funding may be allocated to this project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 2010 Acts of Assembly, funding is provided by the General Assembly for Industrial, Airport, and Rail Access projects; and

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WHEREAS, the Board believes that this project is for the common good of a region of the Commonwealth and serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the urgency of this project and timing of construction necessary to begin facility operations, preserve jobs and continue other business operations without interruption of service warrants the allowance of payment of eligible expenses incurred prior to the date of agreement in this sole instance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves that \$294,458 of the Industrial, Airport, and Rail Access Fund unmatched, be provided to construct 410 feet of track to serve Smurfit Stone Corporation's facility located in Henrico County, Virginia contingent upon:

- 1. All necessary right of way and utility adjustments being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth.
- 2. All costs above \$294,458, which is allocated herein as an industrial rail access grant, being borne by Smurfit Stone Corporation or sources other than those administered by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.
- 3. Eligible Rail Project Costs include those incurred prior to the date of Agreement.
- 4. Execution of an agreement acceptable to the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

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