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FROM: Jim M. Moore  
Director of Program Development and Administration Division

SUBJECT: Proprietary Item Request and Justification

SIP-EN-6800(26)/Contract# 120162/ PIN 114981.01

The Program Development and Administration Division Director requests approval to utilize the following proprietary items in the subject project:

- DuMor, Inc. Backless Bench (Model No. 166-601)

**Project Description**

This project being proposed is the third phase in the Downtown Enhancements for the Town of Linden, Tennessee, PIN 114981.01. This project continues the improvements completed in previous phases with replacement of existing storm drainage, curbing and sidewalks along a three block section of Main Street.

**Justification**

Per the Code of Federal Regulations, 23 CFR 635.411, justification can be made that the item is essential for synchronization with existing facilities. The above mentioned item has been used in previous phases of the project and in order to maintain consistent aesthetic quality between this (and future) phases of this project, this specific manufacturer/model has been specified. In addition, consistency with previous phases will reduce the amount of storage facilities for replacement parts and lower maintenance costs through simplification.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Stephanie Ward at 615-253-3430 or via email at [stephanie.ward@tn.gov](mailto:stephanie.ward@tn.gov).

I, Jim Moore, Division Director, of the Tennessee Department of Transportation, do hereby certify that in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a) (2) that the patented or proprietary items listed above are essential for the synchronization with existing facilities.

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*7-28-15*

Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations

Date

*Jim Moore*, Traffic Operations Director

Recommended for Approval