

a. of this subsection. d. In using simplified acquisition procedures, the Authority shall promote competition to the maximum extent practicable.

6. The [board] AUTHORITY shall adopt policies and procedures to implement this section. The policies and procedures shall provide for publication of notice of procurements and other actions designed to secure competition where competitive procedures are used.

7. The Authority in its SOLE discretion may reject any and all bids or proposals received in response to a solicitation.

8. [Unless otherwise required by federal law, regulation, grant agreement or other federal requirement, in] IN structuring ALL procurements [under this Section B], the Authority shall comply with [the] FEDERAL laws [and], regulations [of the State of Maryland], OR OTHER FEDERAL REGULATIONS REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN GRANT AGREEMENTS OR ELSEWHERE, as they may be amended from time to time, governing minority business enterprise participation.

Article V

Incidental Powers

[Subject to the approval of the highest ranking elected official of the jurisdiction in which the following work is to take place, the] THE Authority shall have power to construct grade separations at intersections of the project with public highways and to change and adjust the lines and grades of such highways so as to accommodate the same to the design of such grade separation. The cost of such grade separations and any damage incurred in changing and adjusting the lines and grades of such highways shall be ascertained and paid by the Authority as a part of the cost of the project.

If the Authority shall find it necessary to change the location of any portion of any public highway, it shall cause the same to be reconstructed at such location as the Authority shall deem most favorable and of substantially the same type and in as good condition as the original highway. The cost of such reconstruction and any damage incurred in changing the location of any such highway shall be ascertained and paid by the Authority as a part of the cost of the project.

Any public highway affected by the construction of the project may be vacated or relocated by the Authority in the manner now provided by law for the vacation or relocation of public roads, and any damages awarded on account thereof shall be paid by the Authority as a part of the cost of the project.

The Authority shall also have power to make regulations for the installation, construction, maintenance, repair, renewal, relocation, and removal of tracks, pipes, mains, conduits, cables, wires, towers, poles, and other equipment and appliances (herein called "public utility facilities") of any public utility in, on, along, over, or under the project. Whenever the Authority shall determine that it is necessary that any such public utility facilities which now are, or hereafter may be, located in, on, along, over, or under the project should be relocated in the project, or should be removed from the project, the public utility owning or operating such facilities shall relocate or remove the same in accordance with the order of the Authority, provided that the cost and expenses of such