



# News Release

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## Purple Line Transit Partners Short-Lists 3 Design-Build Contractor Teams

Riverdale, MD – Purple Line Transit Partners (PLTP), working in close partnership with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA), announced the short-listing of three highly-qualified design-build teams to compete for the contract to finish the Purple Line. Listed in alphabetical order, the teams are:

- Halmar International;
- Maryland Transit Solutions (comprised of Dragados USA Inc. and OHL USA Inc.); and
- Tutor-Perini/Lunda, a Joint Venture.

Demonstrating strong interest from the transportation construction industry, PLTP last month received statements of qualifications from five design-build teams and short-listed those with the best qualifications to complete the project. In mid March, PLTP will issue a Request for Proposals to the advancing teams, with selection planned in mid June.

“Today we took an important step toward delivering the Purple Line to the Maryland public as soon as possible,” said Jane Garvey, Chairman of PLTP. “Collaborating closely with our MDOT and MTA partners, we look forward to rapidly bringing on a new contractor and resuming full-scale construction.”

“PLTP short-listing three qualified firms represents the next step in moving the Purple Line forward,” said MDOT Secretary Greg Slater. “MDOT is committed to successfully delivering this important transit project for the citizens of Maryland, and we appreciate PLTP’s continued partnership to make this a reality.”

The following are key milestones in the procurement process. After reaching terms with the selected contractor, PLTP anticipates a rapid mobilization and full-scale construction to resume as quickly as possible:

Milestone	Timing
Issue Request for Qualifications	January 8
Receive Statements of Qualifications	February 18
Short-List Teams	March 3
Issue Request for Proposals	Mid-March

Select Contractor	June
Reach Financial Close with Contractor	September

Purple Line Transit Partners is headquartered in Riverdale Maryland and holds the Public-Private Partnership Agreement (P3 Agreement) with MDOT MTA to design, build, finance, and operate the Purple Line Light Rail Project. PLTP is comprised of majority partner Meridiam and Star America. Meridiam is a leading equity investor, developer, asset manager, and long-term partner with \$8 billion of assets under management and over eighty P3 projects in U.S., Canada, Europe, and Africa. Star America, a subsidiary of Tikehau Capital, is a U.S.-headquartered developer and manager of infrastructure assets in North America with investments in projects that have a total asset value of more than \$5 billion as of September 30, 2020.

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