



**DUBUQUE METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (DMATS)
POLICY COMMITTEE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05-10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DUBUQUE METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (DMATS) FILING OF AN ILLINOIS COMPETITIVE SPECIAL PLANNING RESEARCH (SPR) APPLICATION WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ILDOT) IN PARTNERSHIP WITH IEI BARGE SERVICES A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF ALLIANT ENERGY TRANSPORTATION (AET) TO ASSIST WITH THE FUNDING OF A PLANNING AND FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A IEI BARGE SERVICES PORT EXPANSION

Whereas, the IEI BARGE SERVICES Planning and Feasibility study is designed to expand the existing port to a multimodal container terminal port facility on the Mississippi River in Jo Daviess County, Illinois that will allow for the sending, receiving, and trans-loading of intermodal container freight and smaller bulk items utilizing the river, highway, warehousing or rail; and

Whereas, DMATS has determined that IEI BARGE SERVICES Planning and Feasibility study project will enhance the economic health of the region by ensuring efficient, diverse, and cost-effective freight transportation options for area businesses. Completion of this project will give local shippers a new mode to access global markets by allowing for the shipment of intermodal containers and smaller bulk items via barges operating on the Mississippi River; and

Whereas, DMATS in partnership with IEI BARGE SERVICES is requesting Illinois Competitive Special Planning Research (SPR) funding in the amount of \$80,000 for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 to assist with project; and

Whereas, DMATS will contribute \$35,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds IEI BARGE SERVICES will contribute the local funding in the amount of \$35,000.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY DMATS POLICY BOARD THAT:

Section 1. DMATS hereby files the grant application for funding through the ILDOT SFY 2019 Illinois Competitive Special Planning Research (SPR) to assist with the funding IEI BARGE SERVICES Planning and Feasibility study in Metro area as part of the Eight County Freight Study Improvements.

Approved this 10th day of May 2018.

Attest:

Roy D. Buol, DMATS
Chairperson

Kelley Deutmeyer, ECIA
Executive Director