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JAMESTOWN, NEW YORK, December 29, 2015---- FENTON MOBILITY / ABILITRAX AWARDED NEW YORK STATE FORD TRANSIT ACCESSIBLE VEHICLE CONTRACT.

The Fenton Mobility / AbiliTrax company was recently awarded NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES contract for furnishing Ford Transit (model X2X) 350 Vans equipped with wheelchair lifts and complete AbiliTrax flooring systems and AbiliTrax “Step N Lock” seating systems.

The purpose of this contract is to provide authorized users including NYS agencies, political subdivisions, local governments, public authorities, public school and fire districts, public and nonprofit libraries, and certain other nonpublic/nonprofit organizations the ability to purchase state of the art accessible vehicles.

Fenton Mobility has been in business over 40 years and has recently revolutionized the industry with its state of the art and patent pending AbiliTrax flooring system. AbiliTrax is the first system to implement a completely uniform flooring platform allowing the same system to be installed in multiple brands of vehicles so that fleets can have one common floor across a multitude of vehicle applications. This common platform also allows for sharing of components throughout the entire fleet including seating, wheelchair restraints and stretcher mounts. Significant to the NY state FTA funded contract is that the AbiliTrax system is manufactured in the US providing full compliance with FTA Buy America regulations.

Scott Fenton, President and co-inventor of the AbiliTrax system speaks to the NY state vehicle specification process, “Approximately 9 months ago when we first met with the NY state technical team to discuss and review the new Ford Transit vans application for wheelchair accessibility, I also had the opportunity to show them the AbiliTrax flooring and seating system. I could tell that they were very impressed with AbiliTrax. They emphasized to me the importance of safety and comfort for both the drivers and the passengers as we went over the overall vehicle specifications. When the final vehicle specification came out for bid a number of months later, I was of course very pleased to see that New York State specified AbiliTrax as their preferred flooring and seating system.”

Longtime paratransit service provider in Buffalo, NY, Rick E. describes why AbiliTrax is his go-to fleet provider, “We are never out of service with AbiliTrax. On days we can’t use the lift, we utilize our “Step N Lock” seats and make it an ambulatory van. Our fleet is always running.”

Alex Foris, industry veteran and CEO of SVO Group / Embassy Bus Vehicles, a premier manufacturer of special vans and buses in Elkhart, IN states, “One of the best new innovations I’ve seen for the bus, van and transportation industries in decades. And special kudo’s to the NY DOT for recognizing AbiliTrax as the best option out there for the ever changing needs for specialized transportation.”

The contract covers 3 consecutive years with an extension option for a 4th and 5th year. Other agencies and organizations who are interested in accessing the NY State procurement system for this contract can go to the NY State website for further information at: http://ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/awards/4052322945CAN.HTM http://ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/pdfdocs/4052322945ContractorInfo.pdf

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