WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 71979 adopted February 13, 1979, the Commission authorized the executive director to award Contract RMP 70-78-1, notwithstanding any limitation imposed upon the authority of the executive director under any resolution or bylaw heretofore adopted;

WHEREAS bids for said contract, being a contract for the reconstruction of the Turnpike slopes in the area of Milepost 99, were solicited following the granting of such authority, and no bids were received upon such first solicitation thereof;

WHEREAS bids were again solicited for the performance of the work of said contract, such new solicitation providing for a different completion date, and said bids were received on May 14, 1979;

WHEREAS such bids were solicited on the basis of a form of proposal providing for the use of the Turnpike roadways for the delivery of materials to the job site, and also upon an alternate basis permitting the bidder to propose the opening of the right-of-way fence for the delivery of materials by way of haul roads constructed from adjacent property to the job site, and two bids were received, each of the bidders having bid upon the basis of the primary proposal and the alternate; and

WHEREAS there has not been time for the usual review of such bids by the consulting engineer and the deputy executive director-chief engineer nor for the executive director to review any recommendations which they might make with respect thereto, but it is imperative that an award be made with the least possible delay;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the executive director, acting upon the recommendation of the consulting engineer and general counsel, if he shall deem it to be in the best interest of the Commission for an award to be made in advance of any further meeting of the Commission, is hereby authorized to award and enter into a contract with such of the bidders for the aforesaid contract as he shall determine to be the lowest and best bidder therefor, and to take such other action as he shall deem to be necessary and appropriate with respect to said bids and said contract, notwithstanding any limitation heretofore imposed by any prior resolution or bylaw upon his authority with respect to the award of contracts.

(Resolution No. 8-1979 adopted May 15, 1979)