## OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Approving the Location, Design and Acquisition of Right-of-Way for an Interchange with State Route 49 and the Ohio Turnpike in the Vicinity of Milepost 2.1 in Williams County, Ohio

WHEREAS, Revised Code of Ohio, Section 5537.04 (J) provides that this Commission may designate the locations, and establish, limit, and control such points of ingress to and egress from the Ohio Turnpike as are necessary or desirable in the judgment of the Commission and of the Director of Transportation to insure the proper operation and maintenance thereof;

WHEREAS, the Commission, in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration performed Environmental and Engineering Studies to determine, among other things, the location of additional interchanges desirable for operation of the Ohio Turnpike, and one of the locations so determined is State Route 49 in Williams County, Ohio;

WHEREAS, there has been a long-standing interest expressed by local officials and agencies for an interchange between the Turnpike and S.R. 49 to be developed as soon as possible to improve transportation and access to the turnpike in the northwest portion of the State of Ohio;

WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes the need and desirability to connect these roadways so as to facilitate vehicular traffic in the area and to promote the agricultural and industrial development of this portion of the state in accordance with Section 5537.03 of the Revised Code;

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation has concurred in the designation of S.R. 49 as a point of ingress to and egress from the Turnpike in a letter dated February 13, 1990, to the executive director of the Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto and designated Exhibit "A";

WHEREAS, the Commission is willing to perform and fund the design, and right-of-way acquisition of the interchange between the Turnpike and S.R. 49 with its own financial resources, but also wishes to pursue the timely availability of other funds to help finance the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 5537.04 (J) of the Ohio Revised Code, this Commission does hereby formally designate a connection of State Route 49 as a point of ingress to and egress from the Ohio Turnpike in Williams County, Ohio;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission's Executive Director be, and hereby he is, authorized and directed to engage the services of such consulting firm or firms as he deems capable and appropriate to accomplish the expeditious study and design of a toll interchange between S.R. 49 and the Ohio Turnpike and to confer with the Ohio Department of Transportation so as to coordinate such design with any other projects contemplated for this area that would affect the proposed interchange; and



Richard F. Celeste/Governor

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

25 South Front Street P.O. Box 899 Columbus, Ohio 43216-0899

February 13, 1990

Mr. Ailan V. Johnson Executive Director The Ohio Turnpike Commission 682 Prospect Street Berea, Ohio 44017

Dear Mr. Johnson:

As you stated, subsequent to our February 1, 1990 meeting, we did find documentation in our files that the April 10, 1989 Feasibility Study for Additional Toll Interchanges had been distributed within the Department including the ODOT Districts along the Ohio Turnpike. We verified that each office had received their copy and, if not, made a duplicate distribution.

The Department concurs that an interchange should be considered between the Ohio Turnpike and the proposed Central Lorain Corridor project. Richland Engineering will be instructed to study such an interchange. Your offer for the Commission to participate in the necessary studies is accepted. We will need to explore further the concept of making the interchange and Central Lorain Corridor toll facilities as I am not sure that would be appropriate.

Also, I concur with the Ohio Turnpike proceeding immediately with detailed design and right-of-way acquisition for the interchanges with S. R. 49 in Williams County and Bailey/Hallock-Young Roads in Trumbull County. As you noted, these two proposed interchanges should certainly provide positive economic benefits for their respective areas. Both locations should be designated as points of ingress to and egress from the Turnpike.

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Further, I would concur that it is appropriate to proceed with design of other sites contained in your April 10, 1989 Feasibility Study. This could be of assistance in protecting their feasibility and eventual construction.

I would be pleased to discuss further with you the details for proceeding as discussed herein.

. Very truly yours,

Bernard B. Hurst, P.E.

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission determines hereby that its costs and expenses for the study, design and right-of-way acquisition of the toll-interchange project shall be paid with monies from the Commission's Capital Improvement Fund;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director be, and hereby he is, directed to pursue and ascertain whether other funds might be available on a timely basis to help finance the construction of the project, and to develop and present to the Commission a funding proposal for the construction of the project at such time as the design and related cost estimates have progressed sufficiently.

(Resolution No. 3-1990 adopted March 22, 1990)