

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director
to Take Further Action Concerning Award of
Contract under Invitation No. 3542-C**

WHEREAS, the Commission has advertised for bids for Invitation No. 3542-C for the furnishing to the Commission of thirty-two (32) solar-powered, portable message boards with remote base station, and the successful bidder shall accept in-trade twenty-one (21) diesel powered message boards;

WHEREAS, on March 25, 1997, four bids were received in response to that invitation and are currently being reviewed by the Commission's staff;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the expenditures of the Commission for solar-powered, portable message boards under Invitation No. 3542-C shall exceed \$500,000 and in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission's Code of Bylaws, Commission action is necessary for the award of such contract;

WHEREAS, the four bids received in response to Invitation No. 3542-C were reviewed by the traffic and safety engineer who has advised that a "sample" portable message board furnished by each of the four bidders is currently being tested, and said testing should be completed by April 25, 1997;

WHEREAS, the traffic and safety engineer advises that after completion of the above-mentioned testing, he will then be in a position to make an award recommendation;

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to delegate to the executive director authority to take action on behalf of the Commission concerning the award of a contract for the furnishing of thirty-two (32) solar-powered, portable message boards with remote base station, and the successful bidder shall accept in-trade twenty-one (21) diesel powered message boards, if such action is deemed necessary prior to the next Commission meeting so that the portable message boards will be available during the construction season;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the authority hereby granted to the executive director and general counsel shall include authority, if deemed appropriate, to execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the executive director may take such action aforesaid, provided that the chief engineer concurs in the traffic and safety engineer's recommendation of award and that the general counsel issues an opinion that the successful bidder complies with all statutory requirements of the State of Ohio and complies with the policies of the Commission; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the executive director of the Ohio Turnpike Commission is hereby authorized to take any action necessary concerning award and execution of a contract for the furnishing of thirty-two (32) solar-powered, portable message boards with remote base station, and the successful bidder shall accept in trade twenty-one (21) diesel powered message boards, prior to the next meeting of the Commission, including the award of contract for such invitation or the rejection of the bids received in response thereto.

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