OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Confirming Establishment of "Draft" Ethics Policy

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, Office of Inspector General and Ohio Ethics Commission have concluded a joint investigation and have issued a report on August 6, 2002:

WHEREAS, the report states findings concerning the acceptance of gratuities from vendors doing business with the Commission and includes seven recommendations with specific references to ethics considerations;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 24-2002, the Commission appointed Commission Members William W. Wilkins, George F. Dixon, III, ODOT Director Gordon D. Proctor and Representative Stephen Buehrer to serve on the Ethics Committee and said committee has met this date and recommended the adoption of the Ohio Turnpike Commission's Ethics Policy, a revised copy of which is before the Commission, which copy's revisions will be incorporated and a clean, *draft* copy will be attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

WHEREAS, the Ethics Committee wishes to refer this *draft* of the proposed Ohio Turnpike Commission's Ethics Policy to the Ohio Ethics Commission for review and acceptance;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the interim executive director is instructed to forward a *draft* of the proposed Ohio Turnpike Commission's Ethics Policy to the Ohio Ethics Commission for its review and acceptance;

RESOLVED that upon adoption of the Ohio Turnpike Commission's Ethics Policy, which has been duly reviewed and approved by the Ohio Ethics Commission, the Commission's Human Resources Manager will distribute copies of the approved document to each Ohio Turnpike Commission employee together with a receipt, which will be executed and returned to General Counsel acknowledging that each employee has received a copy of the Ohio Turnpike Commission's Ethics Policy and is familiar with said policy;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-mentioned action is confirmed as having taken place at this meeting in accordance with law and the Commission's Code of Bylaws and the secretary-treasurer is directed to enter this resolution in the journal of the Commission as a record thereof.

(Resolution No. 36-2002 adopted September 9, 2002)