

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Eight (8) Skid Steer Loaders under ODAS Cooperative Purchasing Program

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 32-2003 adopted on July 21, 2003, the Ohio Turnpike Commission's executive director was authorized to participate in state contracts under the Department of Administrative Services ("DAS,") Office of State Purchasing Cooperative Purchasing Program, through which members may purchase supplies, services, equipment and other materials pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04; and

WHEREAS, a fee has been paid by the Ohio Turnpike Commission to DAS, and, as such, the Commission is a current member of the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's maintenance engineer is recommending the purchase of eight (8) new skid steer loaders with attachments to replace the Commission's existing twelve-year old equipment, and he has determined that the cost of obtaining the aforesaid equipment through the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program at an estimate of **\$249,324.00** is competitive; and

WHEREAS, the Maintenance Department's staff performed a thorough evaluation of the proposed equipment, which will be acquired from the Bobcat Company under Ohio State STS515 Co-op Contract #776515E, and has determined that the new equipment is more versatile than the Commission's existing equipment and should provide their department with improved efficiency;

WHEREAS, the Commission's Maintenance Department has initiated Requisition #E9052 to ODAS for the purchase of eight (8) skid steer loaders with attachments, a copy of which is attached hereto, and has submitted a disposal request for the used equipment to the Commission's purchasing agent, together with a Used Equipment Schedule, which will be included with the advertisement of the used equipment's disposal; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's director of contracts administration has reviewed the proposed equipment purchase and has advised the Commission that said purchase is in conformance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5537.07 and Commission Resolution No. 32-2003; and

WHEREAS, the executive director concurs in the recommendations of both the maintenance engineer and the director of contracts administration and recommends that the Commission approve the purchase of the eight (8) skid steer loaders via the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission's purchasing agent may proceed with the purchase of eight (8) skid steer loaders with attachments, pursuant to Requisition #E9052 through the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program, specifically, Ohio State STS515 Co-op Contract #776515E, and take any and all action necessary to properly carry out the terms of said contract.

(Resolution No. 2-2004 adopted January 26, 2004)