

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Directing the Executive Director to Take Immediate Action Concerning Extension of Ross Systems, Inc. Contract

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 68-1996 adopted on November 12, 1996, the Commission authorized a contract with Ross Systems, Inc. ("Ross") to furnish and install software for an Integrated Business Application System, incorporating six (6) different modules for equipment maintenance, financial reporting, human resources, inventory, purchasing and payroll; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement also includes a twenty (20) year license and all necessary software maintenance services, which are billed currently at the rate of \$98,555.10 with a maximum annual fee escalator of 7-1/4%; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's staff has been concerned about the continuing escalation of maintenance fees, and, in a recent evaluation, determined that the number of users could be lowered from 180 to 128; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's director of information systems and CFO/comptroller have also determined that the Commission's financial reporting, inventory and purchasing system modules should be updated, and have received a proposal from Ross offering to upgrade said modules at a total net cost of \$69,520, provided the number of users is lowered to 128; and

WHEREAS, the upgrade proposal also offers a three (3) year maintenance agreement for calendar years 2005, 2006 and 2007 with maintenance fees lowered to \$83,000 for each year that would save the Commission up to \$91,646.44 in maintenance fees over the next three (3) years; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's director of contracts administration has prepared a proposed contract extension, and has advised the executive director that the Commission may lawfully purchase the proposed upgrade and enter into a three (3) year extension of the original contract for the maintenance of the Commission's financial and inventory system modules.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the executive director and director of contracts administration are authorized to enter into a three (3) year extension of the original contract with Ross Systems, Inc. for calendar years 2005, 2006 and 2007 under which Ross will: (1) furnish and install updated software for the Commission's Integrated Business Application System in the Commission's financial reporting, inventory and purchasing system modules; (2) the number of software users shall be reduced from 180 to 128; and (3) maintenance costs will be lowered to \$83,000 for each of the three (3) following calendar years commencing with calendar year 2005.

(Resolution No. 26-2004 adopted June 21, 2004)