

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Awarding a Contract for
Professional Consulting Services – Project No. 71-05-03**

WHEREAS, the Commission's Toll Collection System will be ten (10) years old in 2008 and in order to properly plan for any system replacement, upgrade or modification, an analysis of the existing system and what the Commission's future toll collection needs will be is needed; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2005, the Commission advertised its Request for Proposals (RFP) for Project No. 71-05-03 seeking professional consulting services to perform an analysis of the Commission's Toll Collection System and on July 21, 2005, twelve (12) letters of interest were received from firms expressing interest in serving as the Commission's professional consultant for this Project; and

WHEREAS, four (4) of the interested firms were deemed most qualified and were invited to submit proposals in response to the RFP, which responses were due on August 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation committee comprised of the Commission's CFO/comptroller, director of audit and internal controls and director of information systems evaluated the four (4) proposals received and awarded preliminary technical scores to the proposals; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) highest-ranked firms were then invited to make presentations to the Commission's evaluation committee, as well as various key staff members, on September 27 and 28, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation committee factored in the quality of the presentations and awarded final technical scores to the proposals of the three (3) firms; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's evaluation committee has concluded, on the basis of the proposals received, that **Vollmer Associates, LLP** of New York, New York is most qualified to perform the professional consulting services required; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2005, Vollmer Associates, LLP submitted a fee proposal in the not-to-exceed amount of \$272,653.55, which amount is deemed acceptable in light of the major implications on the analysis of the Commission's toll operations; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation committee has, therefore, recommended that a professional consulting agreement be entered into with Vollmer Associates, LLP to perform the analysis of the Commission's Toll Collection System; and

WHEREAS, the director of contracts administration also has advised the Commission that the RFP selection process and the selection of Vollmer Associates, LLP conforms with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71, and that she concurs with the recommendation of the evaluation committee; and

WHEREAS, the executive director has reviewed the recommendations submitted by the evaluation committee and the director of contracts administration and concurs that the professional consulting agreement to perform an analysis to the Commission's Toll Collection System be awarded to Vollmer Associates, LLP on the basis of its superior technical rating and its negotiated fee proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission hereby selects **Vollmer Associates, LLP** of New York, New York as most qualified to perform the professional consulting services required under the above-mentioned RFP, and authorizes and directs the executive director and the director of contracts administration to execute the Professional Consulting Services Agreement with Vollmer Associates, LLP, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Commission's Request for Proposals, Vollmer Associates, LLP's response thereto and its fee proposal dated November 4, 2005.

(Resolution No. 47-2005 adopted November 14, 2005)