

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Purchase Panasonic Equipment under DAS Contract as a Component of the MARCS Radio Network

WHEREAS, the Ohio Turnpike Commission ("Commission") and the Director of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Ohio ("ODPS") are authorized by law to enter into contracts with respect to the policing of Turnpike projects by the Ohio State Highway Patrol District 10 ("OSHP"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission's current contract with ODPS dated September 1, 2004, as amended by a Letter of Understanding dated December 16, 2005, provides that the Commission will purchase supplies and equipment exceeding a value of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per unit for use by OSHP in the course of policing the Ohio Turnpike; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, via Resolution 22-2006, adopted on June 26, 2006, has authorized the request from ODPS to purchase, implement and maintain the necessary components and equipment necessary to utilize the MARCS Radio Network in District 10 of the State Highway Patrol which is responsible for policing the Ohio Turnpike; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the expenditures by the Commission for several of the components and equipment required will exceed \$150,000, and, therefore, in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission's Code of Bylaws, Commission action is necessary for such procurements; and

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 purchasing manager, with the assistance of ODPS, has identified DAS State Term Schedules under which many of the components and equipment necessary for implementation of the MARCS Radio Network in District 10 may be procured; and

WHEREAS, among the list of required components and equipment, the seventy-seven (77) mobile computer terminals to be installed in OSHP vehicles are manufactured by Panasonic, which company's "ToughBook" laptop computers and related docking station components are available under DAS Contract via Ohio STS-033, Schedule Number 533260-3 from **GTSI Corporation**, a Panasonic distributor; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of said components and equipment is **\$378,590.52** and the Commission's Purchasing Manager has verified that the pricing is the best available under DAS Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's Chief Engineer has reviewed the purchase recommendations of ODPS and the Commission's Purchasing Manager and recommends that the Commission proceed with the aforementioned purchases from GTSI under DAS Contract in accordance with Resolution 22-2006; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's director of contracts administration has reviewed the proposed equipment purchases, and has advised the Commission that said purchases are in conformance with Commission Resolution No. 32-2003; and

WHEREAS, the executive director has reviewed and concurs with the recommendations of both the chief engineer and the director of contracts administration

that the Commission approve the purchases of the seventy-seven (77) Panasonic "ToughBook" laptop computers and associated components via the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program in the amount of **\$378,590.52**; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Commission's purchasing manager may proceed with the purchases of the Panasonic "ToughBook" laptop computers and associated components via the DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program in the amount of **\$378,590.52**, specifically, Ohio STS-033, Schedule Number 533260-3 with **GTSI Corporation**, and take any and all action necessary to properly carry out the terms of said Contract.

(Resolution No. 46-2006 adopted November 20, 2006)