

**OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION**

**Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director  
To Implement Temporary Flat Toll Rate  
in the Event of a Work Stoppage**

WHEREAS, the Commission by Resolutions 16-1995, 18-1995, 56-1995, 59-1995, 61-1997, 40-2003 and 48-2006 has adopted several different revisions in the schedules of toll rates which imposed changes in the schedules of toll rates then in effect; and

WHEREAS, the 1994 Master Trust Agreement allows the Commission to make a temporary change to the schedule of tolls that it deems to be necessary and proper, so long as the Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer certifies that the Commission will not fail to comply with the debt service requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's agreement with the Teamsters Local Union 436 is set to expire on December 31, 2007, and the General Counsel has reported that a successor agreement with the union has not been reached as a result of the Commission's good faith negotiations; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is committed to keep the Turnpike System open and operational in the event of a work stoppage in order to serve the needs of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is not scheduled to meet again before the expiration of the current collective bargaining agreement and the Executive Director has reported that a continuity of operations plan has been developed that will be implemented in the event of a work stoppage in order to keep the Turnpike System open and operational; and

WHEREAS, the General Counsel has advised the Commission that the provisions of O.R.C. Section 5537.26(D) authorize the Commission to implement a temporary toll rate decrease upon the issuance of public notice and the holding of a public meeting prior to taking any action to temporarily decrease the current toll rate structure, and that a public meeting has been scheduled for December 21, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has recommended to the Commission that it implement a flat toll rate in the event of a work stoppage in order to facilitate the movement of traffic on the Turnpike for the traveling public as outlined in the attached proposal and that the proposed flat toll rates set forth in the attached proposal represent an overall aggregate decrease in the current toll rates for all classes of vehicles traveling on the Turnpike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Director to hold a public meeting on the attached proposal to implement the attached proposal and to report to the Chairman regarding said meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Executive Director is authorized to implement, in consultation with the Chairman, the attached temporary flat toll rates in the event of a work stoppage by the members of the Teamsters Local Union 436 for such period of time as he deems necessary, but in no event, longer than a sixty (60) day period, and to take such other measures as he deems necessary to keep the Turnpike open and operational.

**(Resolution No. 48- 2007 adopted December 17, 2007)**

**Ohio Turnpike Commission – Proposed Emergency Flat Rate Plan  
in the Event of a Work Stoppage**

A strike contingency plan has been developed that will minimize any interruption in the services provided or inconvenience to the users of the Ohio Turnpike. In the event of a work stoppage, the Commission is prepared to implement the following flat toll rates regardless of the distance traveled:

Passenger vehicles (Ready Toll/Charge Cards only)	\$0.50
Passenger vehicles (cash)	\$1.00
Single unit trucks and buses	\$5.00
Tractor-trailers and LCV's	\$10.00

Charge account and Ready Toll customers may continue to use their cards, but will be charged according to the above rates. The detailed report that will accompany the charge account invoice or Ready Toll statement will not indicate the entry point or weight class of the vehicle, but will include the location, date and time of exit, along with the appropriate toll from the categories listed above. Although drivers may still use their charge cards, the Commission prefers that tolls be paid in cash to facilitate the movement of traffic.

If customers experience any difficulty entering or exiting the Turnpike system during a work stoppage, they should contact the Commission's administrative offices at (440) 234-2081 for assistance, or the Ohio State Highway Patrol at (440) 234-2096 in the case of an emergency.