## Resolution Delegating Authority to Issue Permits for the Drilling of Wells for the Extraction of Oil and Gas and Their Constituents

WHEREAS, the Commission wishes to encourage and cooperate in the development of new energy sources within the State of Ohio in order to further promote economic development so long as it does not have an adverse effect on the operations of the Turnpike System; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has the authority under O.R.C. Section 5537.04 to make or enter into agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties, and to acquire, hold and dispose of property necessary or incidental to the exercise of its powers; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted Resolution 26-1976 on December 14, 1976, to delegate authority to the Executive Director to issue permits for the drilling of wells for the extraction of gas and oil and their constituents; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to update this authority pursuant to Section 5.08 of the current Master Trust Agreement between the Commission and Huntington National Bank dated February 15, 1996, that authorizes the Commission by resolution to dispose of such property or any interest therein that it determines is no longer useful or necessary for the operations or maintenance of the Turnpike System if the Consulting Engineer consents to such action or disposition in writing; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has received requests to incorporate its property within the pooling areas for the extraction of oil and gas and their constituents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Director to take those actions necessary to effectuate this resolution and to execute permits or requests to include Commission property in drilling units for the extraction of oil and gas outside of the Turnpike right of way or more than fifty (50) feet from the Turnpike upon review and approval of the Consulting Engineer and Engineering Department and to collect such royalties due to the Commission under said agreements.

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