

OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing Additional Purchases of Sodium Chloride for the Remainder of the 2013-2014 Snow and Ice Season

WHEREAS, in May 2013, via Resolution No. 30-2013, the Commission authorized the purchase of **35,500 tons of sodium chloride** for the 2013/2014 snow and ice season for delivery to seven storage locations on the Turnpike stretching from Amherst to the Canfield Maintenance Building under the **Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) Cooperative Purchasing Program**; and

WHEREAS, in August 2013, via Resolution No. 54-2013, the Commission authorized the purchase of **12,600 tons of sodium chloride** for the 2013/2014 snow and ice season for delivery to eight storage locations on the Turnpike stretching from the Kunkle Maintenance Building to the Humm Road storage facility from **North American Salt Company, of Overland Park, Kansas**; and

WHEREAS, due to the extreme winter weather conditions that have occurred, and in order to have sufficient sodium chloride available for the remainder of this 2013/2014 snow and ice season, Commission Maintenance and Procurement staff were advised by the General Counsel that the circumstances justified dispensing of formal bidding procedures under Ohio Revised Code Section 5537.07(A) for the issuance of an Invitation to obtain 13,000 additional tons of sodium chloride for eleven delivery locations along the Turnpike; and

WHEREAS, one bid was received in response to said Invitation (Invitation No. 4212), however, due to the costs quoted and certain exceptions noted by the lone bidder, **Cargill, Incorporated-Deicing Technology Business Unit, of North Olmsted, Ohio (“Cargill”)**, at this time, Commission staff is not recommending the award of a contract to Cargill for additional sodium chloride; and

WHEREAS, due to the Commission’s urgent need to replenish its storage facilities, discussions also occurred with **ODOT** to identify additional potential sources of sodium chloride, and ODOT has, to date, assisted by arranging for the supply of an additional **approximate quantity of 1,400 tons** of sodium chloride to the Commission from ODOT’s District 2 salt stockpiles; and

WHEREAS, these expenditures with ODOT (and/or any other provider of sodium chloride) will potentially exceed those previously authorized by the Commission under Resolution No. 30-2013 and Resolution No. 54-2013 for the 2013/2014 snow and ice season by greater than ten percent of previously authorized expenditures, and, therefore, in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Code of Bylaws, the Commission is requested to authorize such additional expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director concurs that, due to the urgent need for the Commission to replenish its supplies of sodium chloride, all necessary measures should be taken to procure the required quantities, including dispensing with formal bidding procedures, and he recommends that the Commission authorize any necessary additional expenditures with either ODOT or other sodium chloride providers; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the 2013/2014 snow and ice season, the Assistant Chief Engineer, Highway and Maintenance, will prepare a report concerning the sources of all additional sodium chloride obtained, as well as total expenditures for the season; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, the Assistant Chief Engineer, Highway and Maintenance, and the Procurement Manager are authorized to take whatever actions are necessary to procure the additional quantities of sodium chloride needed to replenish the Commission’s storage facilities for the remainder of the 2013/2014 snow and ice season from either the Ohio Department of Transportation or any other providers of sodium chloride.

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