

OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Sixteen Portable Changeable Message Boards under ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program and Disposal of Existing Equipment

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(B), the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission is authorized to participate in contracts awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) for the purchase of machinery, materials, supplies, or other articles; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Chief Engineer, Highway and Maintenance, has recommended the purchase of sixteen new portable changeable message boards (“PCMB’s”) with cellular telecommunications and GPS, and he has determined that American Signal Co. manufactures the best PCMB to replace the Commission’s existing equipment that has reached the end of its economical service life; and

WHEREAS, eight of the new PCMB’s will replace eight 1997 Ver-Mac model PCMB’s, which have been failing because they operate on obsolete technology and replacement parts are difficult to obtain in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, eight of the new PCMB’s are being added to the Commission’s inventory in order to enhance notification to customers through the Commission’s Traffic Incident Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the sixteen new PCMB’s are available for acquisition through the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program, and the Procurement Manager has determined that the lowest cost of obtaining the aforesaid PCMB’s is under **ODOT Contract No. 048-14** through **Lightle Enterprises of Ohio, LLC**, of **Frankfort, Ohio**, an American Signal distributor, in the amount of **\$248,448.00 (\$15,528.00 each)**; and

WHEREAS, the expenditures by the Commission for the sixteen PCMB’s will exceed \$150,000.00, and, therefore, in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Code of Bylaws, Commission authorization of this purchase is required; and

WHEREAS, the Commission’s General Counsel has reviewed the proposed equipment purchase and has advised the Commission that the proposed purchase is in conformance with the Commission’s authority to participate in the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program under Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(B); and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Ver-Mac PCMB equipment that is being replaced will be disposed of in accordance with the Commission’s Property Disposal Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director and Chief Engineer have reviewed the reports of both the Assistant Chief Engineer, Highway and Maintenance, and the General Counsel and concur with their recommendation that the Commission approve the purchase of the sixteen new PCMB’s from Lightle Enterprises via the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission’s Executive Director and Procurement Manager may proceed with issuing a Purchase Order for sixteen portable changeable message boards (“PCMB’s”) to **Lightle Enterprises of Ohio, LLC**, of **Frankfort, Ohio**, via the Commission’s membership in the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program, specifically, through **ODOT Contract No. 048-14**, in the amount of **\$248,448.00 (\$15,528.00 each)**, and shall take any and all action necessary to properly carry out the terms of said purchase; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission’s Executive Director and Procurement Manager are authorized to proceed with the disposal of the existing PCMB equipment that has reached the end of its economical service life in accordance with the Commission’s Property Disposal Policy; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the purchase of the aforementioned PCMB’s are designated Renewal and Replacement expenditures under the Commission’s Master Trust Agreement.

(Resolution No. 3-2014 adopted January 21, 2014)