



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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JEFF BRILLHART, P.E.
ACTING COMMISSIONER

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Bureau of Turnpikes
March 25, 2015

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Turnpikes to continue its membership and participation with the I-95 Corridor Coalition, University of Maryland, College Park Maryland, (Vendor No. 177778) by paying annual membership dues in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2016. 100% Turnpike Funds.

Funding is available as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description (04-96-96-961017-7022 Turnpike Administration, 026-500251 Membership Fees) and Amount (FY 2015, \$20,000.00)

EXPLANATION

The I-95 Corridor Coalition is a nationally-recognized program of multistate initiatives that add value to individual state programs and benefit long-distance freight movement and passenger travel. In December 2012, the Coalition Executive Board approved updated procedural guidelines which specify two important things: 1) all full members of the Coalition must pay an annual membership fee, and 2) the University of Maryland Center for Advanced Transportation Technology (UMD CATT) is authorized to act on behalf of the Coalition for the majority of its financial and contracting functions.

All funds collected by the UMD CATT for the Coalition will be deposited in an account specifically for Coalition activities. The Coalition and UMD CATT will issue an annual report to the Coalition's Executive Board within 60 days of each Coalition fiscal year. All financial, business and membership records pertaining to New Hampshire DOT's membership in the Coalition shall remain public record and open to inspection.

Membership in the I-95 Corridor Coalition is on a fiscal year basis, July 1 through June 30 and Fiscal Year 2016 fees are budgeted and due in Fiscal Year 2015.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required for Governor and Council organization dues and membership approval submissions:

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?

The I-95 Corridor Coalition was created in 1993. The Department has been a full member of the Coalition since its inception for the last 22 years.

2. Is there any other organization, which provides the same or similar benefits that your agency belongs to?

There are no other organizations that provide these benefits to the Department specific to the I-95 Corridor.

3. How many other states belong to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?

There are 17 states that belong to the Coalition. NHDOT is the only New Hampshire state agency that is a member. The dues paid by NHDOT are the only dues paid by the State to the I-95 Corridor Coalition. The employees from other state agencies that serve on various sub-committees do so as subject matter experts (see Attachment A – Membership Search).

4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc)

Originally the I-95 Coalition requested financial support from New Hampshire DOT in the amount of \$80,000 per year over an initial three-year term. Subsequently, the I-95 Coalition agreed to reduce the annual dues amount to \$20,000 per year over a three-year period in consideration for the limited mileage (16.2 miles) of I-95 in New Hampshire.

5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?

The I-95 Corridor Coalition is a nationally-recognized program of multistate initiatives that add value to individual state programs and benefit long-distance freight movement and passenger travel.

The Coalition supports a number of initiatives related to tolling and interoperability, most recently the development, promotion and implementation of model state legislation for toll violation enforcement across state jurisdictions.

The Coalition serves as a catalyst in the pilot project for interoperability between E-ZPass and SunPass tolling systems, to allow travelers along the east coast to use one toll tag for long distance trips.

The Coalition played a critical leadership role in moving toward electronic tolling standards, as well as multistate electronic clearance standards for commercial vehicles.

Multiple quick clearance workshops, to improve highway incident response efficiency and first responder safety, have been held in New Hampshire.

6. Are training or educational/research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.

New Hampshire has access to the Coalition's centrally managed Vehicle Probe Project (VPP), which provides real-time and archived traffic from INRIX Inc., the leading provider of outsourced traffic data. Coalition members use the VPP to support 511, travel-time on signs, performance measures, and congestion management systems (CMS). Through the VPP, traffic data from surrounding states is also available to New Hampshire, easing the operations and planning issues that span state boundaries.

New Hampshire received Coalition funding to develop a road and weather operational plan that uses forecasting methodology, along with road and weather systems, to improve the activations of maintenance and to optimize maintenance material and operational costs.

As a benefit of the membership, New Hampshire has received scholarships to the operations academy, which was a two-week intensive program on transportation management and operations, and the freight academy.

7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.

This membership is not required to receive federal grants, participate in licensing or certification of exams.

8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel including the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination of known and purposes of membership-supported trips.

There is no travel costs associated with this membership.

9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.)

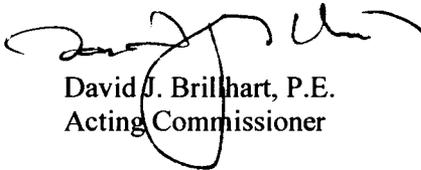
Jeff Brillhart, acting NHDOT Commissioner, is a member of the Coalition Executive Board and is the only voting member. Please find attached a listing of other state agency employees listed on the Coalition's website, and the sub-committees that they serve (see Attachment A – Membership Search).

10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the state if the Agency did not belong to this organization.

Should the Department no longer be a member with the Coalition, the Department will no longer receive timely information regarding the I-95 Corridor, specifically interoperability and traffic data provided by the Vehicle Probe Project, which provides important real-time traveler information for travel along the I-95 Corridor.

It is respectfully requested that this resolution be approved.

Sincerely,



David J. Brillhart, P.E.
Acting Commissioner



I-95 Corridor Coalition

INVOICE

#NHTnpk-07-15

February 3, 2015

MARGARET BLACKER
FINANCIAL MANAGER
NH BUREAU OF TURNPIKES

I-95 CORRIDOR COALITION
MEMBERSHIP DUES (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016).....\$20,000.00

TOTAL DUE.....\$20,000.00
Due Date: Upon receipt

Payable to: University of Maryland

Remit to: Center for Advanced Transportation Technology
5000 College Avenue, Suite 2213
Technology Ventures Building
University of Maryland
College Park, MD 20742
Attn: Denise Twisdale

I certify that the above invoice is just and correct:



Thomas Jacobs, Director
Center for Advanced Transportation Technology

I-95 Coalition
 Membership Search
 NH State Agency Employees
 As of 4/1/2015
 Attachment A

Source: <http://www.i95coalition.org/i95/Home/MembershipSearch/tabid/109/Default.aspx>

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Committee
Bars	Gerald	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS (Highway Operations Group)
Bickford	Julie	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Boynton	William	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Brillhart	Jeff	New Hampshire DOT	Executive, Steering, & Policy Committees
Cass	Bill	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Corcoran	John	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Davison	Glenn	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Dobbins	Caleb	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Gomes	Ron	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Kirouac	Mark	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS, Intermodal, & Commercial Vehicle Operations Committees
Lambert	Tricia L.	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS, Intermodal Committees
Lambert	Bill	New Hampshire DOT	Intermodal Committee
Markow	Denise	New Hampshire DOT	Steering, Travel Information Services, & NE HOGS Committees
McKenna	Patrick	New Hampshire DOT	Executive Committee Non-voting & Steering Committees
Mullen	Marie	New Hampshire DOT	Steering Committee
Murphy	Shawn	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Page	Susan	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Radwanski	Richard	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Smith	David	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Waszczuk	Christopher M.	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Janelle	Felice	New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	NE HOGS
Thomson	Peter	New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency	NE HOGS
Forey	Susan	New Hampshire State Police	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Geraghty	Jim	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Hunt	Sgt. Paul	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
McCormack	Sgt. David	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Parenteau	Lt. David	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Scott	Chris	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Wagner	Sgt. Christopher	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Wood	Gary	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS