



**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



10
Beauch

**VICTORIA F. SHEEHAN
COMMISSIONER**

**WILLIAM CASS, P.E.
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**

Bureau of Turnpikes
April 13, 2016

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Transportation to continue its membership and participation with the I-95 Corridor Coalition, University of Maryland, College Park, MD (Vendor No. 177778) by paying annual membership dues in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2017 to be effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% Turnpike Funds.

Funding is available as follows:

	<u>FY 2016</u>
04-96-96-961017-70220000	
Turnpike Administration	\$20,000.00
026-500251 Organizational Dues	

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 2017 fees are budgeted and due on June 15, 2016.

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 23 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 for Fiscal Year 2017 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.

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.

Multiple quick clearance workshops, to improve highway incident response efficiency and first responder safety have been held in New Hampshire. Regional conferences cover Winter Operations and Incident Response, Connected Vehicles (self-driving) preparation, Standard Lexicon, MAP-21 interoperability, and other best practices. The last conference held in Boston led to the acceptance of regional messaging and the cooperative call tree that is used for storm management. Participation in upcoming conferences will be useful as the Department develops its communication master planning for Connected Vehicles.

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

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, a one-week program.

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.

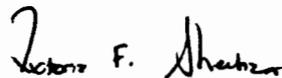
Victoria F. Sheehan, NHDOT Commissioner, is a member of the Coalition Executive Board and is the only voting member. Please find attached a listing of other state agency employees listed on the Coalition's website (see Attachment A – Membership Search).

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,



Victoria F. Sheehan
Commissioner

Attachments



I-95 Corridor Coalition

INVOICE

#NHDOT-02-16

February 16, 2016

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

7 HAZEN DRIVE

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03302-0483

**I-95 CORRIDOR COALITION
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES.....\$20,000 per year**

**Covering:
Fiscal year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017**

**TOTAL DUE.....\$20,000
Due Date: June 15, 2016**

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**

Exhibit A: Membership Search (NH State Agency Employees)

I-95 Corridor Coalition

Membership Search: NH State Agency Employees

<http://195coalition.org/the-coalition-2/member-agencies-2/member-search/>

As of 3/28/16

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Committee
Barss	Gerald	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS (Highway Operations Group)
Bickford	Julie	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Boynnton	William	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Brilhart	Jeff	New Hampshire DOT	Retired
Corcoran	John	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Davison	Glenn	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Dobbins	Caleb	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Green	Craig	New Hampshire DOT	Retired
Herrlhy	Patrick	New Hampshire DOT	Intermodal Committee
King	Nicholas	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS
Kirouac	Mark	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS, Intermodal Committee
Lambert	Tricia L.	New Hampshire DOT	Intermodal Committee
Lambert	Bill	New Hampshire DOT	NE HOGS, Intermodal Committee
Markow	Denise	New Hampshire DOT	Steering Committees, Travel Info Services, NE HOGS
Mullen	Marie	New Hampshire DOT	Steering Committees
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
Sanborn	Ansel	New Hampshire DOT	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Sharma	Subramanian	New Hampshire DOT	Retired
Sheehan	Victoria	New Hampshire DOT	Executive Board
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
Sweeney	Earl	New Hampshire State Police	<i>Not listed on any committees</i>
Wagner	Sgt. Christopher	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS
Wood	Gary	New Hampshire State Police	NE HOGS