DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

April 9, 2009

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY CITY OF BETHLEHEM STATE ROUTE 412, SECTION 01S PARK AND RIDE PROJECT

The Honorable John B. Callahan Mayor of the City of Bethlehem 10 East Church Street Bethlehem, PA 18018

Dear Mayor Callahan:

This is a request for your assistance in expediting the review and approval of the settlement documents for the Right of Way (ROW) necessary for our park and ride expansion project on Silvex Road. Please encourage City Council members to act upon this at their next meeting, and not postpone action to a later date. Prompt action is needed in order to achieve a bid opening this spring so that the construction work can be completed during this year's construction season.

The ROW for 575 feet of Silvex Road will be changed from a variable width to a uniform width of 50 feet. Our design consultant evaluated a width of 60 feet but this caused impacts to the number of the existing and proposed parking spaces as well as site grading and drainage patterns that would be difficult to overcome. The intersection of Silvex Road and State Route (SR) 412 will be improved in the future when a jug handle ramp is constructed for the SR 412 widening project so there will be an opportunity for the city to interact with the Department as those design details for Silvex Road are finalized.

We appreciate your favorable action in this regard and your willingness to accept an appropriate exchange of services for the value of the city property.

Very truly yours,

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Michael W. Rebert, PE District Executive Engineering District 5-0

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cc: John F. Spirk, Jr., City Solicitor

Engineering District 5-0 | Program Management | 1002 Hamilton Street | Allentown, PA 18101 | 610.871.4551

- Prepared By: Department of Transportation 1002 Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18101-1013
- Return To: Department of Transportation 1002 Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18101-1013
- Site Location: Silvex Road Bethlehem, PA 18015

Parcel ID:

RW-365F (7/07)

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



ROW OFFICE PROJ. NO.	050105
COUNTY	Northampton
S.R SECTION	0412-01S
MUNICIPALITY	City of Bethlehem
PARCEL NO.	5
CLAIM NO.	4800107000
CLAIMANT	City of Bethlehem

DEED FEE SIMPLE (No Monetary Consideration)

THIS INDENTURE, made

by CITY OF BETHLEHEM owner(s) of property

affected by the construction or improvement of the above mentioned State Route, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, hereinafter, whether singular or plural, called the GRANTOR, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the COMMONWEALTH,

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS the COMMONWEALTH intends to record a plan in the Recorder of Deeds Office of the aforesaid County indicating its authorization to condemn property for the above highway from the aforesaid property; and

WHEREAS the parties hereto have agreed that, in lieu of condemnation, the GRANTOR will convey to the COMMONWEALTH in fee simple and such lesser estate(s) as designated, if any, from the property or portion thereof required by the COMMONWEALTH,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the benefits to the property of the GRANTOR, the GRANTOR does hereby grant and convey to the COMMONWEALTH in fee simple that portion of the aforesaid property designated as required right-of-way on the plot plan attached hereto and made a part hereof; and those areas, if any, designated as required for other than right-of-way in the easement(s) identified by the plot plan.

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BEING all or a portion of the same property conveyed or devised to the GRANTOR by deed of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the benefit of the City of Bethlehem, dated September 13, 1985 and recorded in Deed Book 688 page 130. This conveyance contains approximately 0.73 acres of required right of way and is identified on COMMONWEALTH plans as Parcel 5, together with the improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto and the GRANTOR warrants GENERALLY the property hereby conveyed.

Reserving, however, to the GRANTOR the right to deep mine minerals and remove gas and oil within the areas hereunder acquired from a minimum depth to be determined by the COMMONWEALTH, from mine shafts or by means of wells located off the right-of-way.

The GRANTOR does further remise, release, quitclaim and forever discharge the COMMONWEALTH or any agency or political subdivision thereof or its or their employees or representatives of and from all suits, damages, claims and demands which the GRANTOR might otherwise have been entitled to assert under the provisions of the Eminent Domain Code, 26 Pa.C.S. § 101 et seq., for or on account of this conveyance and any injury to or destruction of the aforesaid property of the GRANTOR through or by reason of the aforesaid highway construction or improvement, except damages, if any, under Section 710 (Limited Reimbursement of Appraisal, Attorney and Engineering Fees) and Section 711 (Payment on Account of Increased Mortgage Costs) of the Eminent Domain Code; provided, however, that if relocation of a residence or business or farm operation is involved, this release shall likewise not apply to damages, if any, under Section 902 (Moving Expenses) and/or Section 903 and/or 904 (Replacement Housing) of the Eminent Domain Code.

The GRANTOR does acknowledge that it has been fully informed by the COMMONWEALTH of its right to the payment of just compensation for the taking of the herein described property and that it does hereby waive such right.

Certificate of Residence

I hereby certify the Grantee's precise residence to be:

1002 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101-1013

Witness my hand this _____ day of _____,

Agent for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

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The GRANTO	R has executed or c	aused to be executed	these presents, intending to be legally bound thereby.
INDIVIDU	JALS		ENTITIES* GRANTOR:
			City of Bethlehem (Name of Entity)

City of Bethlehem

BY:
John B. Callahan, Mayor
BY:
Meg Holland, Controller

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

* Use this block for a corporation, partnership, LLC, government entity, school district, church, trust, club, association, POA, attorney-in-fact, executor, administrator or any other entity. See R/W Manual Section 3.06.

ENTITY

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INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNTY OF	COUNTY OF	-	
On this day of, 20,	On this day of	, 20,	
before me,,	before me,, the	undersigned	
the undersigned officer, personally appeared	officer, personally appeared		
	, who acknowledged	self	
	to be the	[<i>title</i>] of	
, known to me	[nan	ie of entity],	
(or satisfactorily proven) to be the person(s) whose	and that as such		
name(s) subscribed to the within instrument,	[title], being authorized to do so,		
and acknowledged that executed the	executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes		
instrument for the purposes contained in it.	contained in it by signing on behalf of the end		
In witness whereof, I hereto set my hand and official		[<i>title</i>].	
seal.	In witness whereof, I hereto set my hand and	official seal.	
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[Title]		Title]	
[Seal]	[Seal]		

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

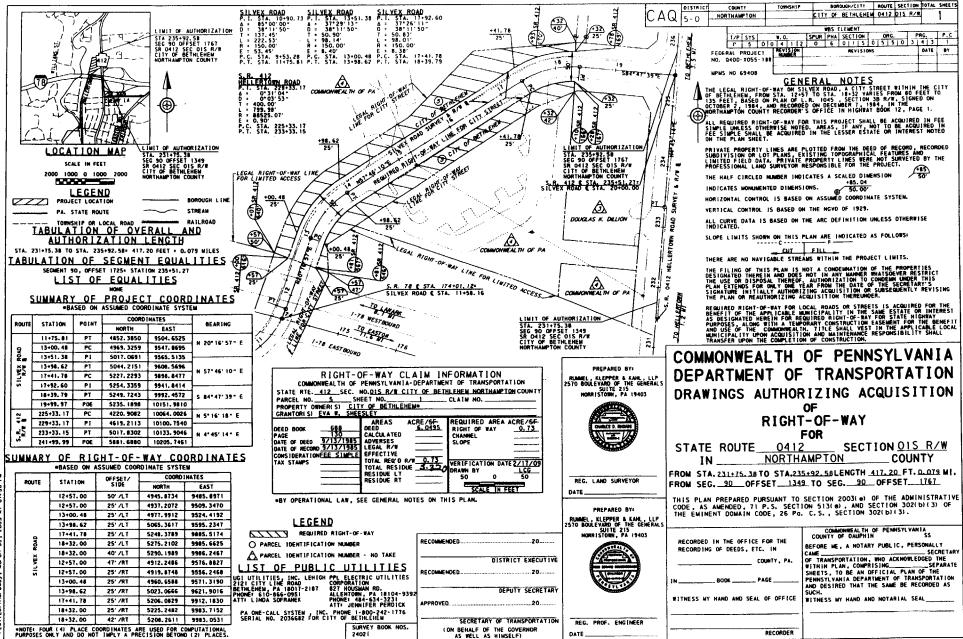
For Chief Counsel

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Deputy General Counsel

Deputy Attorney General



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