

PA TURNPIKE COMMISSION POLICY

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POLICY SUBJECT:

Civil Defense

Emergency Preparedness,

Traffic Engineering and Operations

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

A. PURPOSE:

The State Council of Civil Defense has prepared an Executive Order defining general protection measures applicable to all Commonwealth agencies; which includes various supplements applicable to specific agencies, specifically identifying emergency responsibilities assignments.

B. SCOPE:

C. GENERAL POLICY:

Responsibilities assigned to the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission as identified in applicable supplement (quoted from the draft supplement):

Emergency Operational Activities

In addition to performance of its normal and legally authorized functions on an emergency basis and as dictated by possible existing exigencies, the department or agency shall be responsible for:

- Emergency collection and centralized reporting, to the State Council of Civil Defense, of information and data concerning damage to and disruption of agency installations, facilities and services.*
- Emergency supply, to the State Council of Civil Defense as requested, of necessary assistance in emergency communications, particularly to points on and in the immediate vicinity of the Turnpike.
- Emergency assistance, as requested by the State Council of Civil Defense, in emergency transport of personnel and materials to points on or in the immediate vicinity of the Turnpike.*
- Emergency arrangements, as requested and deemed appropriate, for toll-free travel of emergency vehicles on the Turnpike.

 Emergency utilization, as deemed necessary or appropriate, of Commission facilities, including those under lease, for the emergency care of people using the Turnpike for travel.

D. DEFINITIONS:

E. PROCEDURES:

The Turnpike Operations Center (TOC) will be the central point of contact with the State Council of Civil Defense. All actions defined in paragraph two above will be controlled and reported by the TOC.

All applicable departments will establish standby internal procedures to implement designated responsibilities; to be properly coordinated with, and reported to, the Turnpike Operations Center, during progress of an emergency situation.

The Turnpike Operations Center will establish, and implement as necessary, appropriate procedures for complete liaison and coordination with Civil Defense as dictated by the emergency situation at hand.

This Policy Letter supersedes all previous Policy Letters on this subject.

^{*}See responsibilities matrix for other agencies so charged.