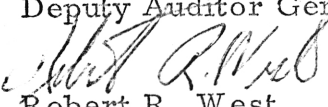


January 7, 1972

SUBJECT: House Resolution 84  
Operation of the Turnpike Commission

TO: Honorable John M. Lynch  
Deputy Auditor General

FROM:   
Robert R. West  
Director of Investigations

The Turnpike Commission does have provisions for bidding, which I have not as yet had the chance to completely study. The Purchasing Department procedures states, " All purchases of less than \$5,000, except those where oral quotations are permitted above, must be made upon "PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES RELATING TO SEALED BIDS REQUIRED BY REQUEST FOR QUOTATION", and all purchases of \$5,000 or more must be made upon "PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES RELATING TO SEALED BIDS REQUIRED BY CONTRACT OR INVITATION TO BID".

In this connection, I call your attention to what may be of interest in that on March 21, 1970 on Invoices #6750, #6751, #6752 and #6753 the Commonwealth purchased four (4) new Cadillacs at a cash price of \$4,056.00 because of a \$5100.00 trade-in from Bob Lloyd Chevrolet-Cadillac, Inc., in Honesdale, Pennsylvania. This is the home area address of the Chairman of the Turnpike Commission.

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