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Memorandum

TO: Bay Area Toll Authority

DATE: February 7, 2018

FR: Executive Director

W. I. 1252

RE: BATA Resolution No. 52, Revised – FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center Policy Revision

Under this item, staff requests that BATA Resolution No. 52, Revised be referred to the full Authority for approval. The policy revision requested is to increase the fees collected from customers for vehicle registration holds that are placed with the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) consistent with DMV fee increases.

In July 2004, the Authority adopted policies for the FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center that included violation-related fee policies. When customers do not pay their violations after the second delinquent toll evasion notification, the CSC sends a request to DMV to add the violation amount due to be paid before their vehicle registration will be renewed – a registration hold. The DMV charges BATA a fee to place the hold and to collect the violation amount through their system. Currently the fee collected for placing a DMV vehicle registration hold is \$3, which is passed on to customers when they pay their violation and release their DMV hold.

On December 29, 2017, the DMV notified us that the DMV hold fee was increasing from \$3 to \$4 effective January 1, 2018. This increase is to support the system development of the temporary license plate program. The dealers will be required to issue temporary license plates to all new vehicles when a vehicle is purchased. Currently new vehicles leave the lot without a license plate until the owner receives a plate from DMV within 90 days after the purchase. This has a significant impact to BATA as violating vehicles without a license plate cannot be identified or located for payment. Over 2 million violations per year cannot be pursued because new vehicles lack a license plate. DMV is required to deploy the temporary license plate system by January 1, 2019. We expect after the system is in place to be able to interface with that system to obtain registered owner information for temporary license plates sometime in early to mid-2019.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that this Committee refer the BATA Resolution No. 52, Revised, to the Authority for approval to pass-through the increased DMV hold fee as described above.



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Attachments

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Referred by: BATA Oversight
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02/28/18-BATA

ABSTRACT

BATA Resolution No. 52, Revised

This resolution adopts the FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center Policies, effective May 30, 2005, for the state-owned toll bridges in the Bay Area.

Attachment A to this Resolution was revised on July 26, 2006 to revise the policies for toll tag deposit and prepaid toll balances for the FasTrak® program, effective October 1, 2006.

Attachment A to this Resolution was revised on October 24, 2012 to amend the policies to add license plate and one-time payment accounts and to delete the commercial post-paid account from the FasTrak® program, effective December 8, 2012 or upon commencement of Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District All Electronic Toll Collection Program.

This resolution was revised on July 27, 2016, to clarify that the FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center Policies are applicable to all facilities served by the FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center. Attachment A to this Resolution was also revised on July 27, 2016 to update the minimum balance for License Plate and One Time Payment Accounts and to make other clarifying changes.

Attachment A to this Resolution was revised on February 28, 2018 to amend the policies to increase the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Hold fee consistent with DMV fee increases.

Further discussion of this resolution is contained in the Executive Director's memoranda dated July 7, 2004; July 5, 2006, October 3, 2012, July 6, 2016, and February 7, 2018.

Date: July 28, 2004
W.I.: 1252
Referred by: BATA Oversight
Revised: 02/28/18-BATA

Re: Adoption of the FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center (RCSC) Policies, effective May 30, 2005, for the state-owned toll bridges in the Bay Area, as revised for all facilities served by the RCSC

BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION No. 52, Revised

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Sections 30950 *et seq.* created the Bay Area Toll Authority (“BATA”); and

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code §§ 30950 *et seq.* transfers to BATA certain duties and responsibilities of the California Transportation Commission (“CTC”) and California Department of Transportation (“Caltrans”) for the toll bridges owned and operated by Caltrans in the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Streets and Highways Code § 30950.2, BATA is responsible for programming, administering, and allocating all toll revenues, except revenues from the seismic retrofit surcharge, from state-owned toll bridges within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, Bay Area bridges are defined in Streets and Highways Code § 30910 to include the Antioch, Benicia-Martinez, Carquinez, Richmond-San Rafael, San Francisco-Oakland, San Mateo-Hayward, and Dumbarton Bridges, and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) implemented electronic toll collection on all Bay Area state-owned toll bridges on December 31, 2000, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the BATA-Caltrans Cooperative Agreement dated July 1, 2004, Caltrans delegated to BATA certain responsibilities related to the administration of the electronic toll collection program, and

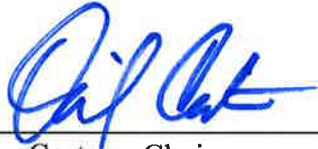
WHEREAS, BATA and the Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District entered into a Cooperative Agreement on August 26, 2003 to consolidate FasTrak™ Service Center operations, and

WHEREAS, the consolidated Regional Customer Service Center requires a common set of operating policies, and

WHEREAS, BATA has contracted and will contract to provide other entities and toll facility operators, including those operating express lanes, with some or all of the services of its consolidated Regional Customer Service Center; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that BATA hereby adopts the FasTrak™ Regional Customer Service Center Policies, effective May 30, 2005, as revised, as set forth in Attachment A to this Resolution, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length.

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Dave Cortese, Chair

The above resolution, revising and superseding the resolution approved on July 28, 2004, was entered into by the Bay Area Toll Authority at a regular meeting of the Authority held in San Francisco, California, on July 27, 2016.

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**FasTrak® Regional Customer Service Center (RCSC) Policies,
effective December 8, 2012 on the
San Francisco Bay Area State-Owned Toll Bridges, as revised for all
facilities served by the RCSC**

Attachment A



Regional Customer Service Center Policies effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018

	Policy	Regional CSC effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018
1.	General	
2.	Terms & Conditions	Regional CSC license agreement
3.	Privacy Policy	Regional CSC privacy policy
4.	Account types	
5.	Prepaid Accounts	- Private, Business, Non-revenue, Anonymous
6.	Commercial Post Paid Accounts	Deleted
7.	License Plate Account	Yes
8.	One Time Payment	Yes
9.	Account policies	
10.	Prepaid Toll Account Opening Balance	Credit Card Account - \$25 per tag Cash/check Account- \$50 per tag N/A for License Plate Account and One Time Payment
11.	Replenishment Amount	Private: Credit card - \$25 per tag min. Cash/check - \$40 per tag min. or 1-month average based on previous 90 days usage Business: Credit card - \$25 per tag min. Cash/check - \$40 per tag min. or 45-day average based on previous 90 days usage N/A for License Plate Account and One Time Payment
12.	Replenishment Threshold	Credit Card Account - \$15 min. or 2-week average use based on previous 90 days Cash/check Account - \$30 min. or 2-week average use based on previous 90 days N/A for License Plate Account and One Time Payment
13.	License Plate Account and One Time Payment Minimum Balance	Credit card – Charged to credit card Cash/check - \$7.25 or current toll rate on GGB for 2 axle vehicle
14.	Tag Deposit	Credit Card Account - \$20 per tag, waived for first 3 tags Cash/check Account - \$20 per tag N/A for License Plate Account and One Time Payment

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Regional Customer Service Center Policies
effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018

	Policy	Regional CSC effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018
15.	Max number of tags	None
16.	Lost/stolen tags maximum liability	\$0 after notification, No maximum
17.	Low Balances	Credit Card Account - Automatic replenishment Cash/check Account - Send notice requesting replenishment; In-lane display shows low balance message
18.	Account Suspension	Immediate tag suspension when account balance is less than zero
19.	Account Revocation	Negative Balance for 90 days OR No activity for one year
20.	One Time Payment Account Closure	Limited term – account closed after 30 days Balance not refundable
21.	Reciprocity	
22.	Toll Discounts apply to customers of other toll facilities	Yes
23.	Guarantee of tolls to other toll agencies based on Regional CSC tag and plate files	Yes
24.	Account fees	
25.	Additional Statement Fee	1. \$1 for monthly paper statements 2. \$1 statement regeneration 3. \$7 for disk (business and commercial accounts only)
26.	Bad Check Fee	\$25
27.	Tag Replacement Charges	\$20 interior \$20 exterior
28.	Infrequent User Fee	None.
29.	Account Maintenance Fee	None.
30.	Tags Fees/Sales	None.
31.	Post Paid License Plate Toll Invoices	Golden Gate Bridge Only

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Regional Customer Service Center Policies effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018

	Policy	Regional CSC effective December 8, 2012, as revised on February 28, 2018
32.	Violation Policies	
33.	Toll Evasion	<p><u>All Violations</u></p> <p>1st Notice Toll + \$25 penalty</p> <p>2nd Notice Toll + \$70 penalty</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If the violation is determined to be the fault of the toll agency. 2. For 1st time offense, a non-customer can open a FasTrak account and the \$25 penalty will be waived. 3. For FasTrak account holders in good standing, toll-only will be posted to the account balance. If the account balance is less than the amount of the toll, the account balance must be brought to the replenishment threshold amount prior to posting the violation toll amount. <p>Processing fee of \$4 for DMV registration holds or as otherwise set by the DMV, when applicable.</p>