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From: John Daly
Manager Director

To: Board of County Road Commissioners

Re: **Policy Concerning Acceptance of Petitions Concerning
Establishment of SADs**

Date of Meeting: May 16, 2006

Date of Preparation: May 11, 2006

Background: In Genesee County, Special Assessment Districts (SADs) have been used as a vehicle for funding local road improvements. Under Michigan law, SADs can be established by either a township or the road commission. State law prescribes the process for the establishment of both types of SADs.

Discussion: Attached is a point paper concerning concluding the establishment of Genesee County Road Commission SADs. This point paper was discussed at the April 16th meeting of the Roads & Bridges Committee and will be discussed again on May 16th at the regularly scheduled meeting. A recent survey conducted by the County Road Association of Michigan indicates that only one road commission (Road Commission of Oakland County) current establishes SADs.

Informal discussions with Genesee County Board of Commissioners Chairperson Rick Hammel and County Treasurer Dan Kildee indicate the County would be willing to perform the bonding function for the townships.

The attached proposed policy has been developed by GCRC Attorney Shegos.

Recommendations: (1) Because of the increasing number of special assessment district petitions and resolutions that the Road Commission has

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been receiving, and the financial burden on the Road Commission that they entail, thereby reducing the funds available for normal maintenance and day-to-day operations, commencing on ~~May 1~~, 2007, it will be the policy of the Genesee County Road ^{June 1} Commission to no longer accept Act 246 PA 1931 Petitions and Resolutions until and unless the township has demonstrated that it has exhausted all fund raising avenues available to it.

(2) That the Manager Director will develop a proposed Letter of Agreement (LOA) between the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of County Road Commissioners concerning issuance of debt to support the financing of local road improvement programs.