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## News Release

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Robert V.R. Barnard, Chairman of the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority (TIBA) has announced that a new ten-year agreement with its operating partner the Federal Bridge Corporation Limited of Canada (FBCL) will be executed at its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. The FBCL is a Government of Canada Crown Corporation while the TIBA operates as a NYS Public Benefit Corporation. The operations of the Thousand Islands Bridge Systems are shared under this joint agreement.

The seven board members comprising the TIBA's Board are appointed to five-year terms by the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators subject to approval by such board and are represented by four U.S. citizens and three Canadian citizens serving without salary or monetary compensation, but in the interest of public and community service.

The Authority's Executive Director, Robert Horr stated that the continued operation of the Thousand Islands Bridge system as a single venture is in the mutual best interests of both parties and the millions of motorists who use these bridges every year.

The agreement addresses many issues pertaining to bridge operations, management, applied standards, toll rates, capital improvements, safety, security, regional promotion as well as many others.