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From: Macchione, Thomas [redacted]
Sent: Friday, March 14, 2025 2:16 PM
To: Daniel Walsh [redacted]
Subject: RE: Pennsylvania Turnpike Question

Hi Dan,

The Pennsylvania Turnpike converted the Gateway Toll Plaza to All Electronic Tolling (AET) in October 2019. We subsequently converted the rest of the Turnpike system to AET in June 2020. After conversion to AET, the conventional tolling lanes of the remaining toll plazas that had express E-ZPass were closed in early 2021 by installing concrete barrier, white delineators and pavement markings. The closure of our conventional tolling lanes at our express E-ZPass toll plaza locations eliminates the need for vehicles to slow down and merge back into traffic that is traveling at normal speeds through the express E-ZPass lanes. The Mid-County conventional tolling lanes continue to remain open due to traffic capacity requirements needed to maintain free flow traffic during peak travel times.

Let me know if you need anything additional and have a nice weekend,
Tom

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