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Mobility Authority Lowers Toll Rate for Multi-Axle Vehicles

(Austin, Texas) –The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is lowering toll rates on 183A for vehicles with four axles. The change will primarily benefit boat owners, landscapers and general contractors who tow small trailers. Under the new toll schedule, vehicles with four axles will pay the same toll rate as vehicles with three axles. Drivers with these types of vehicles will see their maximum TxTag toll for driving the entire length of 183A drop from \$5.40 to \$3.60, a 33% savings.

"I know it is unusual for tolling authorities to actually lower rates, but this change will provide fairness to vehicle's that are just slightly bigger or heavier than cars," says Mike Heiligenstein Executive Director of the Mobility Authority.

The Mobility Authority is also making changes at its Brushy Creek ramp toll plazas that will benefit multi-axle vehicles. With more than 80% of drivers paying with TxTag, the Mobility Authority has decided to remove toll collectors from its Brushy Creek ramp plazas. As part of the change, the Mobility Authority will be eliminating multi-axle toll rates at that location and charging all drivers the standard two-axle toll rate of 50-cents cash. TxTag customers receive a 10% discount and will pay \$0.45. Exact change coin baskets will still be available for cash customers.

The changes will take effect on December 1, 2007.

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183A Toll Rates Effective December 1

183A	2-Axles		3-Axles		4-Axles		5-Axles		6-Axles	
Toll Rates	TxTag Rate	Cash Rate								
Park Street Main Plaza	\$1.35	\$1.50	\$2.70	\$3.00	\$2.70*	\$3.00*	\$5.40	\$6.00	\$6.75	\$7.50
Brushy Creek Ramps	\$0.45	\$0.50	\$0.45*	\$0.50*	\$0.45*	\$0.50*	\$0.45*	\$0.50*	\$0.45*	\$0.50*
Lakeline TxTag Plaza	\$0.45	N/A	\$0.90	N/A	\$0.90*	N/A	\$1.80	N/A	\$2.25	N/A

^{*}Revised toll rates

About the 183A Project

183A is an 11.6 mile, \$238 million toll road constructed by the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, a government agency serving Travis and Williamson counties. The project was funded primarily through the sale of toll revenue bonds. The road, which runs from RM 620 at US 183 to US 183 at the South San Gabriel River, features highway speed all-electronic tolling, which allows drivers with a TxTag sticker to pay tolls without slowing down or stopping. A portion of 183A near Lakeline Mall Drive only accepts electronic payments, meaning customers are required to have a TxTag, Dallas TollTag or Houston EZ-Tag to use that portion of the roadway.