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**Electronic toll collection moves forward on the Bush Turnpike, delayed on
the Tollway**

Plano, TX – Today, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) Board of Directors approved two resolutions regarding the conversion to all-electronic toll collection (all-ETC). All-ETC refers to the transition to cashless toll collection on NTTA roadways.

One resolution approves a contract for the conversion of toll plazas on the President George Bush Turnpike (PGBT) beginning in July of this year. The other resolution postpones the conversion of the Dallas North Tollway (DNT) for one year, or to 2011.

“Delaying the transition of the DNT is a prudent decision that allows us to gather more information about the response to all-ETC prior to converting our busiest roadway,” said Interim Executive Director Janice Davis. “It also allows us to delay about \$40 million in spending during these tough economic times.”

In July of 2007, the NTTA Board of Directors approved a resolution to convert the NTTA’s entire system of roadways to all-ETC. Transitioning to all-ETC is expected to improve safety, mobility and air quality in North Texas, as well as reduce operating costs for the NTTA.

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About the NTTA

The North Texas Tollway Authority, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects in the north Texas region. The nine-member governing board is comprised of Chairman Paul N. Wageman; Vice Chairman Victor Vandergriff; and Directors Kenneth Barr, Gary Base, Bob Day, David Denison, Michael Nowels, Bob Shepard and Alan E. Sims.

The NTTA serves Collin, Dallas, Denton and Tarrant counties and is responsible for the NTTA System, consisting of the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge and the Mountain Creek Lake Bridge. The NTTA is able to raise capital for construction projects through the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds. NTTA toll projects are not a part of the state highway system and receive no direct tax funding. Tolls are collected to repay debt and to operate and maintain the roadways.

Visit the NTTA Web site at www.ntta.org or call 214-461-2000 for additional information about the NTTA. For customer service, please call 972-818-NTTA (6882).

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