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THE WINDSOR-ESSEX PARKWAY PROJECT-BUILDERS SHORTLISTED

Project Attracts International Industry Interest

TORONTO – Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation today announced the companies short-listed to submit proposals to design, build, finance and maintain The Windsor-Essex Parkway.

Over the past few months, companies from all over the world participated in a rigorous competitive request for qualifications (RFQ) process that reviewed their design, construction, maintenance and financing abilities to deliver a large and complex project, such as the Parkway.

Following evaluations, five companies met the qualifications criteria and the three highest scoring ones were short-listed for the project. The short-listed companies are:

- **Rose City Parkway Group including:**
 - Aecon Concessions is a division of Aecon Construction Group Inc.
 - Fengate Capital
 - Dufferin, a division of Holcim (Canada) Inc.
 - The Miller Group
 - MMM Group Limited
 - Macquarie Capital Group Limited
 - HOCHTIEF PPP Solution North America Inc.
 - Peter Kiewit Sons Co.
 - AECOM Canada Ltd.
 - H.W. Lochner
 - Thurber Engineering Ltd.
 - Applied Research Associates, Inc.
 - RC Spencer Associates Inc.
 - West 8

- **Windsor-Essex Transportation Partners including:**
 - Carillion Canada Inc.
 - The Bank of Nova Scotia
 - Stantec Consulting Ltd.
 - PCL
 - Bilfinger Berger Project Investments
 - HSBC Specialist Investments Ltd (HSBC Infrastructure)
 - John Laing Investments Limited (John Laing)

- Walsh Construction Company, a subsidiary of The Walsh Group, Ltd.
- Parsons Corporation
- Trow Associates Inc.

- **Windsor Essex Mobility Group including:**
 - Dilion Consulting Limited
 - RBC Dominion Securities Inc.
 - Iridium Concesiones de Infraestructuras, S. A.
 - Acciona, S.A.
 - Fluor Canada Ltd.
 - Dragados Canada Inc.
 - Acciona Infrastructure Canada, Inc.
 - Hatch Mott MacDonald Ltd.
 - AMEC Earth and Environmental, Ltd.

These companies are diverse and their team members include many local contractors and businesses – a criteria of the RFQ. In their proposals, the companies demonstrated a strong interest in partnering with local companies and businesses.

Short-listed bidders will be invited to respond to the request for proposals, which will be released in December 2009. The two remaining pre-qualified companies will be held in reserve to replace any of the short-listed bidders should they be unable to participate. The companies being held in reserve include SNC Lavalin Inc. and WEP Development Partners.

Evaluation teams consisted of professional staff from Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation collectively having many decades of experience in highway design, construction financing and maintenance. The evaluation process was overseen by an independent fairness monitor.

Ontario approved the provincial environmental assessment for The Windsor-Essex Parkway in August 2009 and the required federal environmental assessment decision is anticipated in the coming weeks. A winning team will be selected in 2010 to design, build, finance and maintain The Windsor-Essex Parkway, which will be owned and operated by the provincial government and it will not be tolled.

The Windsor-Essex Parkway is the most significant single highway investment the province has made in Ontario's history and it will provide a major boost to the local and regional economies. The creation of 12,000 project-related jobs, with the majority in the Windsor-Essex area, is anticipated.

Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation are working to develop The Windsor-Essex Parkway, which will remain publicly owned, publicly controlled and publicly accountable. Infrastructure Ontario is a Crown corporation dedicated to managing some of the province's larger and more complex infrastructure renewal projects - ensuring they are built on time and on budget.

Find out more about Infrastructure Ontario www.infrastructureontario.ca.
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