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RE: TTC-35 High Priority Corridor
Dallas-Fort Worth Southern Loop Facility
Ready for Development Request

Dear Messrs. López and Brown:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has reviewed your request dated August 24, 2006, submitted by Cintra Zachry, LP for determination that the Dallas – Fort Worth Southern Loop be deemed Ready for Development (RFD). The RFD process is defined and outlined in the March 11, 2005, Comprehensive Development Agreement for the Trans-Texas Corridor 35 project.

Based on TxDOT's review we hereby determine that the Dallas – Fort Worth Southern Loop, as described in your letter, is ready for development. We look forward to discussing a Facility Implementation Plan (FIP) Preparation Agreement with you as soon as possible.

Due to the complexity of the project, we would like to prioritize the FIP Preparation Agreement effort to focus on the eastern segments initially. We would like to perform additional environmental analysis on the northwest and southwest segments. We are initiating and advancing these studies at this time. We plan to expedite them as much as possible. This will allow those phases that are further along the development process to progress as quickly as possible. We are very interested in exploring the innovative ideas in your letter including:

- Developing a self-performance concession model in which design and construction would be publicly and competitively procured and managed by the concessionaire under an open bidding process.
- The potential for developing multiple independent facilities whose completion schedule is based on both need and the ability to progress the

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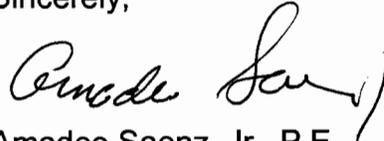
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necessary studies but whose financial plans are linked, thus delivering the entire loop many years before it would be otherwise possible.

- The Developer's ability to advance funds to TxDOT to support and accelerate the studies required to bring these facilities to a financing stage.

Again, we look forward to working with you on the development of a FIP Preparation Agreement for this important project. Please contact Mr. Ed Pensock, P.E. at (512) 936-0965 if you have any further questions or comments.

Sincerely,



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cc: Edward P. Pensock, P.E., Texas Turnpike Authority Division, TxDOT