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EASTLINK TRAFFIC AND REVENUE – SEPTEMBER 2010

ConnectEast, owner and operator of EastLink, announces the following traffic and revenue information for September 2010.

Highlights

- Average Daily Revenue (**ADR**) of \$607,227 for the month of September 2010 was the highest monthly ADR recorded on EastLink and was 13.2% higher than in September 2009.
- Average Daily Trips (**ADT**) of 181,102 in September 2010 was the highest monthly ADT recorded on EastLink and was 10.9% higher than in September 2009.
- Average Workday Trips (**AWT**) of 201,715 in September 2010 was the highest monthly AWT recorded on EastLink and was 11.5% higher than in September 2009.
- Commercial traffic growth continues with the number of LCV and HCV trips 19.5% and 15.9% higher in September 2010 respectively than in September 2009. HCV trips increased by 5.4% and LCV trips by 2.6% compared to August 2010.
- Continued strong growth on EastLink toll sections adjacent to and south of the Monash Freeway Interchange following the recent completion of the M1 Upgrade.
- ADR was 2.7% higher than in August 2010.
- ADT was 1.0% higher than in August 2010.
- AWT was 0.6% higher than in August 2010.
- Average Trip Toll increased to \$3.35 from \$3.30 in August 2010, consistent with the Victorian school holidays from 20 September 2010 to 3 October 2010.

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Traffic and revenue information for September 2010 (including changes since the prior comparable period and last month)

Table 1 – Revenue and traffic summary for all traffic

All traffic	September 2010	September 2009	Annual Change	August 2010	Monthly Change
Revenue					
Average Daily Revenue*	\$607,227	\$536,292	13.2%	\$591,059	2.7%
Average Trip Toll*	\$3.35	\$3.28	2.0%	\$3.30	1.5%
Traffic					
Average Daily Trips	181,102	163,345	10.9%	179,268	1.0%
Average Workday Trips	201,715	180,951	11.5%	200,597	0.6%
Average Daily Vehicle Kilometres Travelled	2,329,613	2,100,559	10.9%	2,277,894	2.3%
Average Trip Length	12.86 km	12.86 km	-	12.71 km	1.2%
Workdays in period	22	22	-	22	-
Non-workdays in period	8	8	-	9	-1

* Includes GST

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Table 2 – Average trip tolls and traffic by vehicle class

EastLink toll classes	September 2010	September 2009	Annual Change	August 2010	Monthly Change
Average Trip Toll*					
Car	\$2.90	\$2.85	1.6%	\$2.86	1.4%
LCV	\$4.90	\$4.83	1.4%	\$4.87	0.6%
HCV	\$7.17	\$7.18	(0.2%)	\$7.10	1.0%
Motorcycle	\$1.43	\$1.28	12.1%	\$1.46	(1.9)%
Average Daily Trips					
Car	153,304	139,638	9.8%	152,571	0.5%
LCV	14,496	12,128	19.5%	14,128	2.6%
HCV	12,749	11,003	15.9%	12,092	5.4%
Motorcycle	553	577	(4.2%)	478	15.7%
Average Workday Trips					
Car	167,027	151,413	10.3%	166,685	0.2%
LCV	17,609	14,745	19.4%	17,414	1.1%
HCV	16,481	14,180	16.2%	15,990	3.1%
Motorcycle	597	614	(2.7%)	508	17.6%

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Table 3 – Average daily trips by EastLink section

EastLink toll section Average Daily Trips	September 2010	September 2009	Annual Change	August 2010	Monthly Change
Springvale Road to Ringwood Bypass	73,791	71,665	3.0%	72,815	1.3%
Maroondah Highway to Canterbury Road	71,784	69,071	3.9%	70,739	1.5%
Canterbury Road to Boronia Road	75,656	71,629	5.6%	74,677	1.3%
Boronia Road to Burwood Highway	77,542	72,472	7.0%	76,455	1.4%
Burwood Highway to High Street Road	77,326	71,610	8.0%	76,118	1.6%
High Street Road to Ferntree Gully Road	77,577	71,496	8.5%	76,351	1.6%
Ferntree Gully Road to Wellington Road	76,430	69,734	9.6%	74,809	2.2%
Wellington Road to Police Road	73,398	65,702	11.7%	71,560	2.6%
Monash Freeway to Princes Highway	65,663	56,294	16.6%	63,904	2.8%
Princes Highway to Cheltenham Road	64,373	54,798	17.5%	62,422	3.1%
Dandenong Bypass to Greens Road	51,750	43,295	19.5%	50,253	3.0%
Greens Road to Thompson Road	41,470	35,022	18.4%	40,139	3.3%
Thompson Road to Frankston Freeway	34,439	29,560	16.5%	33,209	3.7%


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