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74,230 VEHICLES USE CLEM7 FIRST DAY TOLL-FREE

74,230 vehicles used the Clem Jones Tunnel (CLEM7) on the first day of toll-free travel yesterday, Tuesday 16 March 2010.

RiverCity Motorway Group CEO, Flan Cleary, said he was pleased with the numbers but cautions that they are very early figures.

“Traffic patterns were very different to normal. Apart from our expectation that many are yet to factor the CLEM7 into their regular travel, there have been many motorists just having a look and others driving carefully in the new tunnel environment.

“The opening of our tunnel represents a major change for Brisbane motorists, therefore, it may take some months for travel patterns to become apparent.”

RiverCity Motorway will report traffic volumes following the first week of toll-free travel, at the conclusion of the 3-week toll-free period and following the first week of tolled travel. The company will then commence monthly reporting of traffic.

The 6.8 kilometre CLEM7 connects Bowen Hills in the north with Kangaroo Point and Woolloongabba in the south, bypassing up to 24 sets of traffic lights. It connects with Lutwyche Road, Inner City Bypass, Shafston Avenue, the Pacific Motorway and Ipswich Road.

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