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HMSHost, the US wholly-owned subsidiary of Autogrill S.p.A. obtained a 5-year extension for its catering and retail services at Hartsfield International Airport. Further extensions also obtained in California and Texas

Autogrill Group Will Continue Feeding 80 Millions Passengers At Atlanta Airport

Milan, 9th August 2000 - Autogrill S.p.A. [ATL.MI] the restaurant-services provider owned by Edizione Holding, announced today its wholly-owned US subsidiary HMSHost has received approval for a 5-year concession contract extensions for its Food and Beverage joint venture Host/Taco Joy and its Retail joint venture Host/Charnel at Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta, Georgia, which can rely on some 80 million transit passengers per year. The Food and Beverage concession term is extended to 2011, whereas the Retail contract will continue to 2007. Aggregate revenues over the extension term are projected at \$250 million.

HMSHost is the world's leading concessions operator and is renowned for creating innovative concession plans in travel venues. The company has revenues of \$1.5 billion. The Autogrill Group is recognised leader in retail, food and beverage concessions for people on the move with operations in 19 countries and a combined annual revenues of over 2.7 billion euro.

HMSHost was also extended to 2005 its food and beverage concession at Valley International Airport in Texas where it operates concepts such as TCBY, Hot Dog City, Tropics Café & Lounge, Tropics Cantina and a game room.

At John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana, California, the company signed a 21-month lease extension. The airport is currently undergoing a refurbishing plan and HMSHost continued operations will help ensure quality services for the travellers are maintained during the transition period. Concepts operated here include Starbucks Coffee, Pizza Hut, Pretzel Mania, Juice Works, Häagen Dazs, Mrs. Field, Orange Bar & Grill, Lido Lounge and Pavilion Club.

At Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport HMSHost was awarded a 5-year contract to operate a Daily News Express – a traveller on the go version of its most successful branded news-stand concept Daily News. The Daily News Express will be tailored to the commuters using the new American Eagle Terminal 1E currently under construction where the new concept is located. Here, grab and go items will be easily purchased; while books, magazines and music will also have dedicated sections. Health and beauty aids in convenient travel sizes will also be offered.