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Autogrill awarded two new motorway travel plazas in Indiana

- Estimated revenues in excess of \$ 60 m from 2005-2015

Milan, 15th February 2005 - Autogrill S.p.A. (Milan: AGL IM) said that its North American subsidiary, HMSHost Corp., had been awarded new food service and retail concession rights at the Henry Schricker and George Craig travel plazas on the Indiana Toll Road.

The contract was awarded by the Indiana Department of Transportation and is expected to generate cumulative revenues in excess of \$ 60 million over the period from 2005 to 2015. Operations at both plazas began on 1 February.

As a result of the new contract, 13 US toll roads (out of a total of 17) are now served by 91 HMSHost travel plazas. The company also operates 18 travel plazas on the only 2 Canadian motorways with traveler services.

The Indiana Toll Road, the Ohio Turnpike extension, crosses the northern edge of Indiana covering 282 km (157 miles) between Angola and Hammond, and is used by over 38 million vehicles annually.

The two plazas, which are located midway along the motorway outside the city of Elkhart, cover a total surface area of more than 650 sq.m. They feature a varied lineup of concepts including Burger King, Starbucks Coffee, Uno's Pizza and Fresh Attractions, as well as Travel Mart full-service convenience stores.

In 2003, the motorway channel accounted for 49.7% of Autogrill consolidated net sales, with travel plazas in 10 countries for a total of 645 locations, of which 537 in Europe and 108 in North America.