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First Phase of Landscaping Improvements on SR 836 Complete
New Aesthetics Enhance Expressway and Surrounding Community

Miami, FL (March 4, 2008) – The first phase of landscaping improvements along the newly constructed extension of State Road 836, Dolphin Expressway was completed this week, just six months after MDX began aesthetic improvements to beautify the system after the extension opened in June. This is just the beginning of a three phase project that will enhance the community by beautifying the landscaping and restoring areas that had previously been illegal dumping grounds.

“Our commitment extends beyond roadway construction,” said MDX Executive Director Javier Rodriguez. “It is important to MDX to incorporate elements that enhance the overall beauty of our expressways. We want these aesthetic improvements to be a reflection of South Florida’s native beauty. The benefits of this extensive landscaping project are already evident, but will be magnified as the plantings begin to blossom.”

MDX has budgeted \$5 million for this project; nearly 50 percent above the construction dollars typically mandated for landscaping projects. Since extensive landscaping began last summer, native and exotic palms, flowering trees and shrubs have been installed along State Road 836 from NW 137th Avenue to just west of Florida’s Turnpike.

Phases two and three will include new landscaping along SR 836 from just west of Florida’s Turnpike to NW 107th Avenue and from NW 107th Avenue to NW 87th Avenue respectively. By the completion of the entire project this fall, the new Dolphin Expressway will be surrounded by native Florida Everglades, Royal, Sabal, Saw Palmetto and Thatch Palms, Slash Pines, Bald Cypress, Red Maple, Live Oak, and Mahogany trees. In addition, exotic palms including Carpenteria, Coconut, Montgomery, Solitaire and flowering trees such as Royal Poinciana, Floss Silk and Verawood will adorn the new and improved Dolphin Expressway.

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MDX is a state sanctioned, locally administered, public agency created in 1994 by the State of Florida and the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County. MDX is governed by its Board, comprised of 13 volunteer members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and the Governor of the State of Florida. MDX oversees, operates and maintains five expressways: State Road 836 (the Dolphin Expressway), State Road 112 (the Airport Expressway), State Road 874 (Don Shula Expressway), State Road 878 (Snapper Creek Expressway), and State Road 924 (Gratigny Parkway).

MDX is funded almost entirely by toll revenues and is dedicated to the enhancement of mobility in Miami-Dade County. MDX is also committed to bringing more efficient, market-driven, user-friendly management to its expressways. For more information on MDX or SunPass®, contact MDX at 305.637.3277 or visit the website at www.mdxway.com. For information on SunPass®, please contact 1-888-TOLL-FLA (865-5352).