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## ***Veolia Transportation Wins City of Phoenix Contract City Council Votes Unanimously to Award Five-Year Operating Contract***

**Lombard, IL, June 17, 2010** – The Phoenix City Council, by unanimous vote, awarded Veolia Transportation a new five-year \$386 million contract to provide bus management services to the City of Phoenix Public Transit Department, operating from the City's North and South transit Facilities. The contract award is historic, creating the largest transit operations contract in the Phoenix area, and one of the largest in the U.S.

Veolia has been providing transportation management services to the City of Phoenix for the past 38 years. Under this new contract, Veolia's responsibilities are expanded. Veolia will now be responsible for all aspects of service operations for 353 buses operating throughout the Valley, including daily street operations, passenger care, safety, vehicle cleanliness and maintenance, and on-time performance. Veolia will employ over 870 employees and oversee three collective bargaining agreements.

Veolia will continue to report to the City, which will monitor its performance as specified in a detailed operating agreement. The new contract begins on July 1, 2010 and is valued at an average of \$77 million per year.

In making the announcement, the CEO of Veolia Transportation, Mark Joseph, commented, "We are grateful for the trust the City has placed in us, and are committed to exceeding expectations as we provide safe and sustainable mobility. Phoenix is very important to us. We have worked hard to provide excellent service and look forward to continuing to do so, in partnership with our unions."

Regional Vice-President for Veolia Transportation, Jim Wolf said, "We are honored to deepen our partnership with the City of Phoenix. The strong presence and base of business we will now have in this area will enable us to provide superior service, a commitment we take very seriously."

Jim Wolf continued, "We came into Phoenix nearly forty years ago and in that time have become part of the community. We will value our partnership with two community-based organizations—Chicanos por la Causa (CPLC) and the Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC), which both have a long history of doing very good work. These organizations will be assisting Veolia Transportation with on-board ride checks, customer satisfaction surveys and community outreach."

### **About Veolia Transportation**

Based in Chicago, Veolia Transportation is the largest private-sector operator of multiple modes of transit in North America, including bus, rail, paratransit, shuttle, sedan and taxi services, via its Transit, Rail and On-Demand Divisions. Veolia Transportation is committed to setting the

standard in safe and sustainable mobility solutions through partnerships with cities and transit authorities.

The company is part of the **Veolia Environnement companies in North America**, with 30,000 North American employees, providing sustainable environmental solutions in water management, waste services, energy management, and passenger transportation.

Veolia Transportation is part of Veolia Transport, the global transportation division of Veolia Environnement. Veolia Transport is the world's largest private operator of multiple modes of public transit, operating contracts for 5,000 city transit authorities in 27 countries, and completing over 2.5 billion passenger trips per year. **Veolia Environnement** (NYSE: VE and Paris Euronext: VIE), is the worldwide reference in environmental services. With more than 336,000 employees in 72 countries, Veolia Environnement recorded annual revenues of \$50 billion in 2008. Veolia Environnement is in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI World) and Dow Jones STOXX Sustainability Index (DJSI STOXX). Visit the company's Web sites at

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