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****Media Advisory****

Groundbreaking Ceremony Planned for Major Illinois Project for the Mississippi River Bridge

*Construction Set to Begin for the Illinois Approach to the Mississippi River
Bridge*

BROOKLYN – Illinois Transportation Secretary Gary Hannig will be among federal, state and local officials on **Friday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m.** to announce the start of construction for the Illinois Approach to the Mississippi River Bridge (MRB) project. The construction project is the largest Illinois administered MRB project to date.

WHO: Gary Hannig, Secretary, Illinois Department of Transportation
Jerry Costello, U.S. Congressman
Jay Hoffman, Illinois State Representative
James Clayborne, Illinois State Senator
Eddie Lee Jackson, Illinois State Representative

WHAT: Illinois officials participate in groundbreaking ceremony for the Illinois Approach to the Mississippi River Bridge.

WHEN: Friday, August 13, 2010
1:30 p.m.

WHERE: **Riverpark Drive and Front Street
East St. Louis, IL**

*Parking available at Cargill parking lot across from the Casino Queen on Riverpark Drive. Shuttle service will be provided. The public is invited to attend.

*Event on top of the levee – please wear comfortable shoes.