



STATE ROAD & TOLLWAY AUTHORITY

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

ATLANTA - On behalf of the State of Georgia, the State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) and the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) announced that an official written request has been made to U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) to grant a waiver to allow Peach Pass customers that have two or more passengers in their vehicle to be exempt from paying tolls to access the I-85 Express Lanes. The written request was sent on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 and signed by both Gena L. Evans, Executive Director of SRTA and Keith Golden, Commissioner of GDOT.

Under the parameters of the 2008 Congestion Reduction Demonstration Agreement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), in order to reduce the minimum vehicle occupancy requirement, the USDOT will have to approve this action. If the USDOT concurs, the MOU will need to be amended to reflect such changes and the State Transportation Board will have to change the current occupancy requirements set for the I-85 Express Lanes.

Click here to [view a copy of the official request](#). We will inform you when we receive a response to this request.

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