



## news release

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### **TRMI Completes Two Toll Systems Upgrades on U.S. – Mexican Border**

**Accord, NY** – Last month, TRMI completed a total of 19 lanes and three plazas for the cities of McAllen and Pharr in Texas. Both cities are repeat customers for TRMI.

With the latest upgrade, the City of McAllen, Texas, a customer since 1993, has acquired its third toll system from TRMI. The City operates two bridges, the Hidalgo-Reynosa Bridge and the new Anzalduas Bridge, both spanning the Rio Grande River.

The City of Pharr, Texas, a TRMI customer since 2001, operates the Pharr-Reynosa International Bridge, also over the Rio Grande. With this new upgrade, Pharr has acquired its second TRMI toll system.

“TRMI’s upgrades feature a transaction-based Guardian™ suite of custom-designed software designed to guarantee that every transaction from the tollbooths or the automated lanes is delivered to the database,” said TRMI Vice President and Project Manager, Jose Correa.

The systems also include control screens which allow operators to manage revenue sources other than tolls, such as duty-free store rentals, billboard advertising, and revenues from advertising on the giant screen that entertains northbound drivers while waiting to cross the border.

At the end of each revenue day, the TRMI toll system compiles reports which can be generated locally at the toll plaza or remotely from City Hall. These reports can be generated instantaneously for all transaction levels, including daily, monthly and yearly, which allows auditors to make data comparisons that they could not accomplish with their previous system.

With the Guardian system, it takes only seconds to find and review images associated with a toll event. In addition, the system provides 99.9% tag-read reliability, a paperless back office, and video and audio integration for audit.

Other features of the new installations include Oracle® databases with RMAN backups, RAID 5 servers, e-commerce on-line accounts websites, sEgo® sticker tags, proximity cards, EZ video auditor with transaction hyperlinks and user-friendly interfaces for Plaza Operation, System Administration and Lane software.

Both cities also benefit from TRMI's on-line customer accounts, using secured websites that allow bridge clients to view statements and account usage activity in real time, and to make payments on line that adds funds for immediate use at the lanes.

### **About TRMI Systems Integration**

Since 1974, TRMI has been designing and installing custom-integrated electronic toll collection systems for public and private organizations. In 1981, TRMI built the first solid-state electronic toll collection system in the United States at the Golden Gate Bridge and has since installed systems throughout the US and internationally.

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Photos: Daytime photo is of Pharr. Nighttime photo is of McAllen.