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**I-595 Corridor Roadway Improvement Project Reaches Financial Close:
Taylor-DeJongh Served as Financial Advisor to TIFIA**

The I-595 Corridor Roadway Improvement Project in Florida, for which Taylor-DeJongh (TDJ) served as financial advisor to the USDOT / TIFIA Joint Program Office, closed on March 3, 2009. TIFIA will provide the project sponsor, ACS Infrastructure Development, with a US\$603 million loan. The rest of the financing will be provided by a consortium of twelve banks. Total project costs, including financing costs, amount to US\$1.68 billion for the reconstruction, widening and addition of express lanes to a 10.5 mile interstate highway in Broward County, Florida.

Taylor-DeJongh supported TIFIA from the application stage through to financial close. TDJ analyzed the proposed financing plans, performed due diligence of the entire proposed project structure, assisted TIFIA in drafting preliminary term sheets, performed detailed financial analysis after selection of the concessionaire and assisted TIFIA in its negotiations with the borrower.

I-595 is a landmark transaction due to its use of availability payments. TIFIA's involvement in the transaction was crucial in order to bring competitively priced long-term debt to the project and also to complement commercial bank and equity funding.

Taylor-DeJongh CEO, Mr. Terry Newendorp, said: "Taylor-DeJongh was very pleased to act as Financial Advisor to TIFIA on this very complex transaction, which closed in such challenging times. We look forward to continuing our work with TIFIA and to our involvement in other aspects of the U.S. market for infrastructure PPPs."