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INDIAN RIVER INLET BRIDGE OPEN HOUSE & SITE TOUR

Saturday, October 17, 2009 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Rehoboth Beach - The Delaware Department of Transportation and Skanska USA Civil Southeast, Inc. (Skanska) invite the public to attend an outdoor “open house” style public workshop and participate in a construction site tour at the Indian River Inlet Bridge on Saturday, October 17, 2009 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The event will be held in the parking lot directly across from the DelDOT Field Office, 39368 Inlet Road, Rehoboth Beach, on the north side of the inlet. The event will be held rain or shine.

“This is a great opportunity for everyone to visit the site to see firsthand the construction progress being made and to talk to the DelDOT Project Team and the bridge builders,” stated Secretary of Transportation Carolann Wicks.

The workshop will consist of 12 informational stations where the public can receive specific information about various aspects of the bridge construction. Information will be available about the design-build process, pile drivings and use of concrete, the pylon forms including reinforced steel, the falsework structure, the stay cable erection system, the traveler, the approach spans of the bridge, and the final features of the bridge and their functionality. Many of these informational stations will include visual examples of the different elements of bridge construction.

Representatives from the University of Delaware will be onsite to discuss the monitoring capabilities of the new bridge. Information about the roadway approaches and park improvement contracts will also be available. Several bridge designers, engineers and specialists will be on hand to discuss the bridge’s construction.

A highlight of the event will be the opportunity to participate in a construction site tour. An open-air trolley will allow attendees to take a guided and narrated tour of the construction site.

The public is invited to attend any time between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., and there will be an opportunity to provide written comment on the construction to date.

This location is accessible to persons having disabilities. Any person having special needs or requiring special aid, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, is requested to contact DelDOT by phone or mail one week in advance.