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MOT Plans to Ease Impact on Surrounding Communities

Motorists Can Utilize New Traffic Pattern Beginning Next Week

Alexandria, VA – Potomac Yard Development LLC, in its continuing efforts to keep the community informed regarding detours associated with the construction of the new Monroe Avenue bridge, announced that, beginning on or about July 26th, and continuing for approximately 8 months, the following traffic pattern regarding the intersection of Slaters Lane and Route 1 will be in place:

The existing right turn from Northbound Route 1 onto Slaters Lane will remain open. The left turn from Southbound Route 1 onto Slaters Lane will remain closed. Motorists accessing Slaters Lane from Southbound Route 1 will continue past the previous access point, take a right on Fayette Street and follow the “jug handle” around Yates Car Wash and the McDonald’s to reenter Northbound Route 1 and use the existing right turn onto Slaters Lane. The “slip ramp” that travels southbound under the existing Monroe Avenue Bridge will be closed. All traffic headed to Route 1 from Slaters Lane will be redirected up Slaters Lane to a temporary intersection with Route 1. At that point, traffic will be allowed to turn both North and South onto Route 1.

“As a community partner, we continue our efforts to ease the impact for motorists in the surrounding neighborhoods,” said Kevin L. Hall, Land Development Manager of Potomac Yard Development, LLC. “We are closely coordinating with the City of Alexandria to ensure the optimal traffic flow during the detour phase of the construction.”

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Potomac Yard Development/Monroe Avenue Bridge Construction:

The new Monroe Avenue Bridge is the most notable transportation improvement by Potomac Yard Development. Potomac Yard Development's commitment of \$15 million to construct the new, straightened Monroe Avenue Bridge and the widening of Route 1 will be provided at no additional cost to the City of Alexandria. These transportation improvements will be well underway before the initial phase of the Potomac Yard community construction. Both the new Monroe Avenue Bridge and the widening of Route 1 will significantly increase the safety and efficiency of Alexandria's transportation network.

Potomac Yard is a unique mixed-use project that will offer a variety of housing choices, retail stores, offices, parks and open space. Potomac Yard is conveniently located in the City of Alexandria, off Route 1 and just minutes away from Washington, D.C.

Pulte Homes and Centex Homes, two of the nation's premier residential developers, have teamed up to implement the vision for Potomac Yard that has been anticipated by the community for some time. The partnership, known as Potomac Yard Development, LLC, is excited about the opportunity to create a truly unique community in Alexandria that will be a landmark celebrated by area residents for generations. For additional information on Potomac Yard Development, its amenities and the Monroe Avenue Bridge, please visit www.potomacyardalexandria.com.

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