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Gateway Upgrade Project contract extended

The Leighton Abigroup Joint Venture (LAJV) has been awarded a \$240million contract to deliver additional upgrade works on the Gateway Motorway from Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road to Miles Platting Road.

These critical works are an extension to the existing Gateway Upgrade Project and comprise the widening of the Gateway Motorway from four to six lanes, improvements to the road alignment and localised improvements to the Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road interchange.

Leighton Contractors Managing Director, Peter McMorrow said the Queensland Government and Queensland Motorways are to be congratulated for their forward thinking and commitment to the delivery of major infrastructure improvements.

“We are proud to continue working in partnership with the Queensland Government and Queensland Motorways to deliver much needed road infrastructure improvements that provide significant benefits to motorists, businesses and the broader community in South East Queensland,” Mr McMorrow said.

“So far the Leighton Abigroup Joint Venture has delivered the 7km Gateway Motorway north of Brisbane River in July 2009, as well as additional lanes south of Old Cleveland Road. The new Gateway Bridge and 12km of upgrade motorway south of the bridges will also open to traffic by mid this year.”

Abigroup National Operations Director, John Kirkwood said, “Winning this new contract is a vote of confidence from the Queensland Government and Queensland Motorways on the work we have carried out so far in delivering the Gateway Upgrade Project.

“Thanks to production efficiencies and innovations made by the project team, the new Gateway Bridge will be opened in May, six months ahead of schedule and the motorway works are being completed in a timely and cost efficient manner. We look forward to starting work on the next stage of the project.”

Work on the 4km Gateway Upgrade Project extension will commence immediately and is expected to be completed by mid 2011.

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