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## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

## Mercier Bridge re-opening delays

**(Kahnawake – 9, Tsothóhrha/December 2012)** The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke has been informed by the Ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ) that in light of the progression of the work currently being executed under the Mercier Bridge, there is a possibility that traffic might not be restored at 5am on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> as previously announced.

To facilitate traffic during the Monday morning rush hour the MTQ will open two Montreal-bound lanes and there will be no through traffic to the South Shore until the work is completed, which could last until noon on Monday December 10<sup>th</sup>.

This traffic management will also facilitate snow removal, which should take place during the night according to weather forecasts. The configuration change will take place at midnight tonight (between December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>).

Rush hour will be difficult heading to the South Shore and road users are encouraged to take alternative routes, such as Champlain Bridge or Monseigneur-Langlois Bridge.

Reinforcement works have been taking place under the bridge since Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. This work involves many complex steps that require more time than expected.

Please visit <u>www.kahnawake.com/roadwork</u> to stay up to date on planned road work which affects Kahnawà:ke.

## SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDIA

Please mention at your discretion up until at least Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at noon. For further information on this release contact Gene Diabo at 450-632-7500, ext. 2254