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Short-term Ramp Closures Scheduled at I-435 & US-69 in Johnson County for Tuesday, July 8

Due to equipment concerns, the ramp closures that were originally scheduled for Monday, July 7, are now rescheduled for Tuesday, July 8. Weather permitting, **on Tuesday, July 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, the ramps from northbound US-69 to westbound I-435, from westbound I-435 to southbound US-69, and the collector/distributor lanes from westbound I-435 at US-69 will be closed for the staging of bridge girders that are scheduled to be erected during the weekend of July 11-13.

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the ramp closures. Marked detours will be provided for the ramp closures. Drivers should expect minor delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. Updated daily lane/ramp closure information can be viewed online at:

www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

Clarkson Construction Company is the primary contractor on this four-year, \$127 million construction project. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is fall 2008.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through the work zone. For more information on this project, please visit the Focus435 website at: www.focus435.com, or contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340.

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