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STATEMENT TO MEDIA
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**Statement of Russ Keene of *Plug-In Texas*
Commending the Choice of Phil Wilson as Executive Director
of the Texas Department of Transportation**

"Phil Wilson is a dedicated public servant at heart. He brings a great mix of public policy, business acumen and knowledge of Texas to his new role at TxDOT.

TxDOT is an important state agency with a broad mandate, critical programs and many constituencies; we are pleased that its new leader will have strong recognition of the role alternative-fueled vehicles can play in transforming Texas' transportation future."

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About Plug-In Texas: *Plug-In Texas is a broad-based and growing statewide coalition of private and public interests dedicated to supporting policy changes that promote battery electric, plug-in hybrid and all-electric vehicles in Texas, as well as the infrastructure needed to support them. Plug-In Texas will support activities that create new jobs, foster development of new technologies, improve environmental conditions and spur economic activity that supports the electric vehicle industry. The coalition serves as a clearinghouse for information on EVs, and supports initiatives that market the development and promote the commercial viability of EVs. Plug-In Texas' membership includes: ECOtality, Environment Texas, Environmental Defense Fund, Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Gulf States Toyota, Luminant, NRG Energy, Texas Automobile Dealers Association, Texas League of Conservation Voters, Toyota Motor North America and TXU Energy. For more information about Plug-In Texas, visit www.PlugInTexas.org.*