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THE ALLEN GROUP OBSERVES MEXICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

DALLAS, Texas (July 17, 2006) —The Allen Group recently witnessed Mexican history-in-the-making -- the Mexican Presidential Elections, which took place on July 2, 2006. Leslie Jutzi, Director of Government Affairs and Community Relations for The Allen Group, served as a Presidential Election Observer for the International Observer Organization that supervised the Mexican electoral count. Felipe Calderón Hinojosa of National Action Party won the Mexican presidency in the closest electoral race in the nation's history.

Mexico's Federal Election Institute (IFE) certified the United States-Mexico Chamber of Commerce (USMCOC) as an International Observer Organization. The USMCOC, of which The Allen Group is a member, was the only international business organization invited to observe the presidential and congressional election.

"It has been a profound honor to represent The Allen Group and the international community as a Presidential Election Observer in Mexico's historic democratic process," said Jutzi. "As the election was of extraordinary civic response, working with Mexico's IFE has been a process of unparalleled professionalism, and outstanding administration and coordination efforts."

As a member of the USMCOC, The Allen Group looks forward to promoting business development and international trade between the United States and Mexican communities. The Allen Group is currently developing the Dallas Logistics Hub, the largest new logistics park in North America, with 6,000 acres of land and the potential for 60 million square feet of vertical development at complete build out. The Hub will be a key piece of the NAFTA infrastructure, and the primary pipeline for distribution of goods between Mexico and the United States.

The Dallas Logistics Hub will help strategically position Dallas, the nation's fourth largest industrial market, as the number one trade center in the Southwest region and the most integral connector along the NAFTA trade corridor allowing distributors and manufacturers to reach the greatest percentage of U.S. consumers. It will take advantage of I-35, the principle NAFTA trade route through North America.

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