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Austin, TX - The Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) Austin Chapter will be honoring local transportation achievements at their Inaugural Transportation Awards Banquet on Friday, December 2, 2011 at the Holiday Inn Austin Midtown Hotel from 6 pm – 11:30 pm.

The 2011 Award Recipients are:

Small Business of the Year - **Dadnab**

Large Business of the Year - **First Transit**

Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) of the Year - **Jah Love, Inc.**

Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) of the Year- **CAS Consulting & Services Inc.**

Women Owned Business of the Year- **Beverly Silas & Associates**

Transportation Agency of the Year- **City of Austin Transportation Department**

Executive of the Year (Tied) –

Bobby Stone, Executive Director, UT Austin Parking and Transportation Services

Linda S. Watson, President/CEO, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Higher Education Institution of the Year- **Austin Community College**

"I was excited to see the great nominations and I know the committee had a difficult time making their selections. I commend Blanca Juarez, our Chapter Vice President who chaired the nominations process. Congratulations to all the award winners" said Aida B. Douglas, Chapter President and COMTO National Board Member.

About COMTO - Founded in 1973, The Conference Of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) is the nation's only multi-modal advocacy organization for minority professionals and businesses in the transportation industry. COMTO is in a unique position to be involved and speak on behalf of minority professionals and businesses on the cutting edge transportation issues that are sweeping the nation. There are 39 Chapters throughout the United States. Visit us at www.comto.org to learn more about our organization.