

# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Editor's note:** Reliant, the Houston Texans and METRO will unveil a custom wrapped METRORAIL light rail train that will carry fans to and from Reliant Stadium - free of charge - on Houston Texans home game days. Members of the media are invited to attend to get a first look at the custom wrapped METRORAIL train.

When: 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1
Where: METRO Rail Operations Center
1601 West Bellfort, Houston, 77054

# Reliant Offers Free METRORAIL Rides to Stadium for Fans on Texans' Home Game Days

HOUSTON, TX (September 29, 2011)—Reliant is helping football fans "bring their energy" to Houston Texans games at Reliant Stadium this season. Beginning with this Sunday's home game against the Pittsburgh Steelers, Reliant will offer free METRORAIL rides to and from Reliant Park for every Texans home game during the regular season.

"Reliant helped bring the NFL back to Houston and offering METRORAIL rides is another way to show our support for fans and the home team," said Manny Rodriguez, Reliant Vice President, Sponsorship Marketing and Charitable Giving. "The season is already full of excitement and big wins. This effort gives fans one more reason to cheer."

The offer is valid for every Texans home game beginning at 5:30 a.m. and running until midnight

"One of the New METRO's priorities is to be a trusted community partner," said METRO President & CEO George Greanias. "This particular venture demonstrates that priority and this is also a great opportunity to promote public transit in Houston."

To help promote the program, one METRORAIL train will sport a custom graphic wrap with Reliant's 2011-2012 slogan "Bring the Energy" and featuring the Texans' All-Pro wide receiver Andre Johnson. The wrapped METRORAIL train is one of the trains that will be used to take fans to and from the stadium on home game days at no cost.

METRORAIL averages approximately 15,194 boardings on an average Texans game day. Reliant's effort will encourage even more riders and support the environment by helping keep vehicles off the road and out of traffic. The rail line offers fans a quick and convenient way to get to Reliant Park, particularly those fans traveling from the downtown area. The average travel time from downtown to Reliant Park by rail is 20 to 25 minutes, depending where you catch the train.

"We constantly strive to find new and innovative ways to make the game day experience a memorable one for Texans fans," said Texans Senior Vice President of Ticketing & Event Management John Schriever. "We are very appreciative of our friends and partners at Reliant and METRO for providing a safe, reliable and affordable travel solution for Texans fans every Sunday."

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#### About Reliant

Reliant provides electricity and energy services to more than 1.5 million retail customers—including homes, small and large businesses, manufacturing facilities, government entities and institutions across Texas. The company also offers service to commercial, industrial, governmental and institutional customers in the Northeast and is expanding to offer service to residential customers in the region. As part of NRG (NYSE: NRG), Reliant is backed by one of the nation's largest power producers. NRG owns and operates 25,000 megawatts (MW) of generation capacity, including more than 11,000 MW of capacity in Texas. For more information about Reliant products and services, visit <a href="https://www.reliant.com">www.reliant.com</a>.

#### About METRO

The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) is the region's largest public transit provider, offering safe, reliable and affordable transportation services about 370,000 times per day. Besides operating more than 1,200 buses, METRO is currently expanding its 7.5-mile light-rail line (Red Line), with <a href="mailto:three new lines">three new lines</a> under construction. METRO's services also include: Star Vanpool, METROLift, HOV lanes, Bikes-on-Buses/Trains program, Park-n-Ride and road improvement projects.

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