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DHS/FEMA-FUNDED HIGHWAY EMERGENCY RESPONSE SPECIALIST CLASS IS CERTIFIED

Pueblo, Colo. The Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, (DHS/FEMA) has certified the Highway Emergency Response Specialist course at the Security and Emergency Response Training Center (SERTC), in Pueblo, Colo. The course focuses on specific fundamentals and skills associated with an emergency response to a highway incident involving weapons of mass destruction or weapons of mass effect.

"We are pleased to offer this Highway Emergency Response course to first responders. Coupled with our previously certified Tank Car Specialist course that focuses on rail incident response, we believe that SERTC offers the most complete training opportunities for first responders anywhere," said Mike Cook, SERTC's General Manager.

More details on class schedules and how to register to receive DHS/FEMA-funded federal grant training are available at www.sertc.org.

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Background: DHS/FEMA funds this program through the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC). Transportation Technology Center, Inc. (TTCI) received Congressional authorization to become one of two new members of the seven-member consortium on August 3, 2007. The NDPC is a select group of leading organizations having nationally recognized expertise in security and emergency management training and education. SERTC will manage and present courses focusing on surface transportation response as its contribution to the consortium activities. The classroom, laboratory, and training equipment, including full-scale accident/incident scenarios are available to the NDPC program through the National Center for Emergency Response in Surface Transportation (NCERST), the element of SERTC responsible for managing the NDPC programs.