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Connolly and Busaras Luas stops to open on Sunday September 7th

The RPA is pleased to report that, the Luas Red Line service to Connolly Station, serving Busaras will be restored on Sunday next September 7th in time to accommodate those going to the All-Ireland Hurling Final in Croke Park. Large crowds from Waterford and Kilkenny are expected to use the Luas Red Line to travel either from the various Park and Ride locations close to the N7 or from Heuston Station, where trains will take match-goers from Waterford and Kilkenny. RPA and Veolia Transport would like to thank Luas customers for their patience during these essential works. Whilst the stops will re-open on Sunday next there will be ongoing works in the area and RPA would request that due regard is had to the various temporary diversion signs in the area. The closures were necessary in order to build a delta junction for the new Luas Docklands Extension (Line C1). This 1.5km extension will serve the IFSC, Docklands, Spencer Dock and The Point and is due to come into service in early 2010. Most of the heavy construction on this line will be completed by mid-2009 and considerable progress has already been made.

This is the second significant engineering achievement on the Red Line in recent weeks. During the weekend of August 23/4 the Red Cow Roundabout was re-configured and the Luas Red Line was re-located to an entirely new, separated track. This change which results from motorway upgrade works will shave almost two minutes off the journey time between Tallaght and Connolly. This difficult operation was carried out with minimum disruption and over one week-end.

RPA would like to thank customers and the public for their patience in relation to these two upgrades.

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