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## Autogrill secures a new contract at John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana, California

The Company now has 17 points of sale in the airport

Milan, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011 – Through its American subsidiary HMSHost, Autogrill Group (Milan: AGL IM) has entered a new 10-year (2011-2021) contract for food & beverage business in John Wayne Airport, Santa Ana (Orange County), California. HMSHost has had operations at John Wayne for more than 20 years. The agreement is expected to produce, at full capacity (starting from 2012), revenues of approximately \$25m per year.

Under the new agreement, the Company will operate 17 points of sale in this airport, including eight new locations in the new Terminal C, in addition to the nine already operating in Terminals A and B, which will be renovated.

The Group will introduce international selections from Ciao Gourmet Market, a grab-and-go formula of the famous Italian brand already present in several North American airports, La Tapenade Mediterranean Café, which was developed by HMSHost to offer delicious Mediterranean dishes to travellers, and an Asian restaurant, Pei Wei Asian Diner. The offer will be completed with big brands like Starbucks Coffee and California Pizza Kitchen and local restaurants, including Javi's, a Mexican restaurant, Zov's Bistro, a gourmet café and bakery, Hobie Hut, a California surfer icon-inspired lounge, and Anaheim Ducks Slapshot Bar & Grill, which celebrates Orange County's professional hockey team.

The Farmers Market, a creation of the Laguna Culinary Institute, Orange County celebrity chef, Laurent Brazier, and HMSHost is located in the transition area between Terminals A and B.

This new agreement augments the Group's presence in California, the American state where it has the highest number (ten) of client airports, including, in addition to John Wayne, the following locations – Fresno, Los Angeles, Oakland, Ontario, Palm Springs, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, and San José.

Orange County is a top business and vacation destination in the U.S., with miles of scenic Pacific Ocean coastline and many world class accommodations and facilities, including the Cesar Pelli-designed performing arts center and Disneyland. With more than 8 million passengers in 2009, John Wayne Airport is served by 11 national airlines, including United, American, Southwest and Delta, linking Orange County to the major cities in the USA (Source: John Wayne Airport website).

HMSHost operates in 111 airports in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and the Pacific region, including the top 20 in North America by passenger traffic.

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