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MCCA ANNOUNCES NEW BOSTON COMMON GARAGE RATES

The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (MCCA) today announced that new rates for the Boston Common Garage, which were approved on May 30, 2003, will go into effect tomorrow, July 1, 2003.

The new rates are as follows:

- Monthly, 24-hour access will increase from \$290 to \$310
- Monthly, evening and weekend access will increase from \$100 to \$110
- Special event parking will increase from \$8 to \$10
- Coupon books sold in books of 20 will increase from \$4 to \$5
- Evening parking (in after 4:00 p.m., out by 10:00 a.m.) will increase from \$8 to \$10
- Weekend parking will increase from \$8 to \$10
- Weekday stays up to three hours will increase from \$13 to \$15
- Weekday stays up to 12 hours will increase from \$15 to \$17
- Weekday stays up to 16 hours will increase from \$18 to \$19
- Weekday stays up to 24 hours will increase from \$21 to \$23
- Weekday stays up to one hour and up to two hours will remain at \$5 and \$10, respectively, and a new category of up to 9 hours will be included at \$16.

The rate increases, which were announced as part of the MCCA's Fiscal Year 2004 budget, are consistent with other area parking garages and are part of an effort to make the Boston Common Garage more competitive in the Boston parking market.

The Boston Common Garage is a 1,300-space garage located at Zero Charles Street, underneath the far Western side of the Boston Common. It serves local residents, area employees and visitors and is operated by Central Parking System, Inc. under the direction of the MCCA.

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