

**Selected Press (and Blog) Reports about the TTID Program/Traffic.com Monopoly  
(in Reverse Chronological Order)**

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- August 29, 2007, [Sensors and Insensibility: State is asked to pay for traffic info taxpayers already funded](#), Op-Ed piece in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*
- August 17, 2007, [State to get only part of data from new traffic sensors](#), *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*
- July 23, 2007, [Senator Pans Federal Contract for Traffic Information Site](#), *Government Executive/National Journal's Technology Daily*
- June 26, 2007, ['Monopoly' Continues for Pa. Company, says Hatch](#), *The Hill* ([Alternate Location](#))
- March 30, 2006, [Public-Private Puzzle](#), *Government Technology*
- December 5, 2005, [Smart traffic plan faces local hurdles](#), *Federal Computer Week*
- July 1, 2005, [Government Watch: Competitors Raise a Cry Against Traffic.com Funds](#), *Inside ITS* newsletter
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- April 20, 2005, [Monopoly Money for Pa. Company](#), *The Hill*

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- February 4, 2008, [Hon, I'll Be Late for Dinner](#), Project on Government Oversight (POGO) blog
- February 1, 2008, [U.S. TTID Program Faces Audit](#), TrafficTechnologyToday.com blog
- July 9, 2007, [SF-LLL Update: Not for Public Inspection?](#), Sunlight Foundation's "Real-Time Investigations" blog
- July 9, 2007, [FHWA Discouraging FOIA requests from potential contractors?](#), Sunlight Foundation's "Real-Time Investigations" blog
- February 8, 2007, [Tracking Contractors and Lobbyists, and a Congressional Intervention](#), Sunlight Foundation's "Under the Influence" blog

### **For More Information**

- [The U.S. Transportation Technology Innovation and Demonstration \(TTID\) Program: When Politics, Competition, and the Public Interest Collide](#) (regularly updated white paper)
- [Transportation Technology Innovation and Demonstration \(TTID\) Program: What the Agreements Signed by State and Local Transportation Agencies Show](#) (links to a majority of these agreements that until recently were not publicly available)
- The U.S. Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General is currently conducting a comprehensive audit of the Transportation Technology Innovation and Demonstration (TTID) Program – for more information, see the [OIG's announcement of the TTID program audit](#).

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