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#### **Media Advisory**

#### **GOVERNOR TO ANNOUNCE DISTRIBUTION OF HOMESTEAD REBATE CHECKS; HIGHLIGHT NEED FOR RENEWAL OF TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND**

Gov. Christie Whitman tomorrow will visit the Office of Telecommunications and Information Systems Hub Building in West Trenton to announce this year's distribution of Homestead Rebate Checks. The checks, which are being printed at the West Trenton site, will be mailed out, starting Friday, to eligible senior citizens.

A total of 1,232,239 checks will be distributed this year. The checks, which total \$304,457,848, will average \$247.08.

The Governor tomorrow will also visit the congested Route 34 and Route 9 Intersection in Old Bridge Township to highlight the need for renewal of the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF). The intersection has been the site of numerous motor vehicle accidents. Replacement of the Route 34 Bridge and widening of Route 9 depend upon renewal of the TTF.