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July 31, 2008

The Honorable Pedro Nava, Chair
Assembly Transportation Committee
1020 N Street, Room 112
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: SB 53 (Ducheny) - As Amended June 19, 2008 – OPPOSE
Status: Assembly Transportation hearing – August 4, 2008

Dear Assemblyman Nava:

Today, July 31, 2008, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) voted unanimously to oppose SB 53, which would transfer to a new Department of Railroads within the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency responsibility for state rail safety programs currently administered by the CPUC.

Please see the attached analysis for a full explanation of the Commission's position.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to call me at (916) 327-8441.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pamela C. Loomis".

PAMELA C. LOOMIS
Director

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Denise Ducheny, Member, California State Senate
Members, Assembly Transportation Committee
Ed Imai, Principal Consultant, Assembly Transportation Committee
Gregson Porteous, Assembly Republican Caucus/Policy Office
Curt Augustine, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger