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Kevin Boles, Construction Manager
Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
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Re: GO 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Rengstorff Avenue Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 105E-34.70, DOT No. 755013M in the City of Mountain View, Santa Clara County.

Dear Mr. Boles:

This refers to your letter dated September 1, 2010 and received by us on September 8, 2010 requesting authorization pursuant to Commission General Order (GO) 88-B to alter an at-grade highway-rail crossing of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) track in the City of Mountain View (City), Santa Clara County. The crossing is identified as the Rengstorff Avenue Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 105E-34.70, DOT No. 755013M.

Rail Crossings Engineering Section (RCES) has investigated the JPB's request and finds the proposed crossing design does not address the aspect of right turn movements on red from Crisanto Avenue towards the crossing, which can lead to potential queuing of the vehicles on the crossing causing an unsafe condition. RCES contacted JPB staff regarding this issue on October 12, 2010 and the parties agreed further investigation into the matter is necessary. An on-site meeting with all stakeholders is scheduled for November 8, 2010 to discuss the matter. After a design which either eliminates the turn movement or mitigates for the turn movement is agreed upon by all parties, the JPB can resubmit the GO 88-B request with the agreed upon modifications.

Based on the above discussion, the present GO 88-B request submitted with your letter dated September 1, 2010 for authority to alter the subject crossing is hereby rejected.

If you have any questions, please contact Felix Ko at (415) 703-3722 or fko@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daren Gilbert".

Daren Gilbert, Supervisor
Rail Crossings Engineering Section
Consumer Protection and Safety Division

C: Sayed Fakhry, City of Mountain View

Ananth Prasad, County of Santa Clara