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File Number: XREQ 2015120013 REVISED
Ocean Beach Bike Path
City of San Diego, San Diego County

Pete D'Ablaing
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San Diego Association of Governments
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SENT VIA E-MAIL

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Ocean Beach Bike Path Grade-Separated Highway-Rail Crossing, Identified as CPUC Crossing Number 106-263.84-B/081MV-3.56-B, and DOT Crossing Number 966289K, in the City of San Diego, San Diego County.

Dear Mr. D'Ablaing:

This refers to your letter dated, and received by us on March 22, 2016, requesting authorization to amend the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC/Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B authorization to modify the Ocean Beach Bike Path grade-separated highway-rail crossing (crossing) at the North County Transit District (NCTD) Coaster track in the City of San Diego (City), San Diego County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 106-263.84-B/081MV-3.56-B and DOT Crossing Number 966289K.

The CPUC Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) staff issued a letter dated January 25, 2016, which authorized the requested modifications to Ocean Beach Bike Path grade-separated crossing.

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) requested a change in the authorization by email to reduce the minimum vertical clearance from 8-feet 6-inches to 8-feet of vertical clearance above the Ocean Beach Bike Path. City and NCTD stated agreement with the proposed change by a letter dated March 3, 2016, and an e-mail dated March 21, 2016.

SANDAG proposes to make the following alterations:

- Provide a minimum vertical clearance of 8-feet from the bottom of the railroad bridge to the pathway surface.

The Commission RCEB investigated the request filed by SANDAG, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As City and NCTD are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as described in your request dated July 29, 2015, and summarized above are authorized.

In all other respects, the original authorization for improvements remains in full force and effect.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Schumacher at kevin.schumacher@cpuc.ca.gov or (415) 310-9807.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anton Garabetian", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anton Garabetian, P.E.
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Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch
Safety and Enforcement Division

cc: **(SENT VIA E-MAIL)**
Kris McFadden, City of San Diego
Ziad Malhas, NCTD
Ernest So, SANDAG
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