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File Number: XREQ 2016120012 California and Taylor Street San Francisco, San Francisco County

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## SENT VIA E-MAIL

General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the California and Taylor Street Highway-Light Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 125C-0.90 in the City of San Francisco, San Francisco County

Dear Mr. Yeung:

This refers to your letter dated and received by us on December 21, 2016, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the California and Taylor Street at-grade highway-light rail crossing (crossing) of San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) track in the City of San Francisco (City). The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 125C-0.90.

The double track crossing is traffic signal controlled in all four direction of traffic. Taylor Street is a one way north bound street south of the crossing. SFMTA runs approximately 270 light rail vehicles (LRV) per day at a maximum speed of 10 mph through the crossing. The average daily traffic on Taylor Street is 3,720 vehicles.

The proposed alterations as indicated in the request letter and/or shown in the attachments shall consist of:

- Upgrading the existing traffic signal systems with new poles, pedestrian and vehicular signals; and
- Adding one signal mast arm for the north bound Taylor Street vehicles.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) staff investigated SFMTA's request, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. You may proceed with the improvements as described in your request letter, attachments, and summarized above. SFMTA must complete all the proposed alterations mentioned above for RCEB to consider this GO 88-B application closed.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with Section 8A.08, Temporary Traffic Control Zones, of the CA MUTCD, 2014 Edition, published by the California Department of Transportation.

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SFMTA shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and CA MUTCD. This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended [California Pubic Resources Code 21084].

This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence letters by involved parties in support of the time extension. If an extension is requested, the RCEB may reevaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, SFMTA shall notify RCEB that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the Commission web site Form G page at <a href="http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Crossings">http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Crossings</a>. This report may be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:rceb@cpuc.ca.gov">rceb@cpuc.ca.gov</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact Siavash Mozaffari at (415) 703-1815 or <a href="mailto:siavash.mozaffari@cpuc.ca.gov">siavash.mozaffari@cpuc.ca.gov</a> .

Sincerely,

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