## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2017020004 Modification 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue San Mateo, San Mateo County

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## **SENT VIA E-MAIL**

Re:

Modification of General Order 88-B Request XREQ 2017020004 for Authority to Alter the 25th Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 105E-19.70 and DOT No. 754910E in the City of San Mateo, County of San Mateo.

Dear Mr. Chao:

This refers to your letter dated October 17, 2017 and received by us via email on October 18, 2017, requesting authorization to amend the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC/Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B authorization to modify the 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue at-grade highway-rail crossing (crossing) of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (PCJX) tracks in the City of San Mateo (City), County of San Mateo. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 105E-19.70 and DOT No. 754910E.

The CPUC Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) staff issued a letter dated February 27, 2017, which authorized the requested modifications to 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, San Mateo crossing.

PCJX requested a change in the authorization by letter to alter the temporary construction phase design stating the new bridge physically conflicts with the pedestrian Commission Standard 9 warning devices and exit swing gates. The City stated agreement with the proposed change by a letter dated October 16, 2017.

The proposed alterations of the temporary construction phase, as indicated in the PCJX's request letter and/or shown on the plans, shall consist of:

- Removing the exit swing gate in the northwest quadrant;
- Relocating the Commission Standard 9 pedestrian warning device in the northwest quadrant;
  and
- Installing "KEEP CLEAR" pavement markings on the pedestrian approaches in the northwest and southwest quadrants.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) staff has investigated the request by PCJX, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As the City and PCJX (Parties) are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B,

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PCJX may proceed with the improvements as described in its request letter and attachments, and summarized above.

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

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

Sincerely,

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