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File Number: XREQ 2020040001
Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Blue Line Station
South Pedestrian Crossing
Unincorporated Los Angeles County

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SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Blue Line Station South Pedestrian-Light Rail At-Grade Crossing, identified as CPUC Crossing No. 084L-09.55-D, in Unincorporated Los Angeles County.

This refers to your letter dated March 26, 2020, received by us electronically on March 31, 2020, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify the Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Blue Line Station south pedestrian-light rail at-grade crossing (crossing) of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Blue Line light rail tracks in unincorporated Los Angeles County (County). The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 084L-09.55-D.

The crossing is located at the south end of the Metro Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Blue Line Station center platform. The crossing is an east-west oriented pedestrian pathway. East of the center platform, the pedestrian pathway crosses one northbound and one non-revenue connector light rail tracks. West of the center platform, the pedestrian pathway crosses one southbound light rail track and one UPRR Railroad Company freight track. Warning devices consist of six Commission Standard 8 (flashing light signal assembly) warning devices and 12 pedestrian swing gates.

Metro proposes the following modifications to the warning devices on the eastern side of the crossing:

- Remove one existing Commission Standard 8 warning device and two pedestrian swing gates on the street side of the east crossing.
- Remove one existing Commission Standard 8 warning device and two pedestrian swing gates on the center platform side of the east crossing.
- Install one Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate) warning device on the street side of the east crossing.
- Install one Commission Standard 9 warning device on the center platform side of the east crossing.
- Install American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant detectable warning surfaces on the approaches to the crossing.

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

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described in your request dated March 26, 2020, and summarized above are authorized. Metro must complete all the proposed alterations mentioned above for RCEB to consider this GO 88-B application closed.

Metro must ensure that Emergency Notification Signs are installed to comply with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 234.309.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the current version of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), published by California Department of Transportation. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders, ADA, and the CA MUTCD.

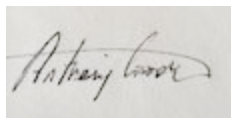
This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended [California Public Resources Code 21084].

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, RCEB may reevaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, Metro 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 CPUC web site at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings/>. This report may be submitted electronically to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Jose Pereyra at (213) 576-7083 or jfp@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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