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South San Francisco Station Pedestrian Crossing
City of South San Francisco, San Mateo County

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the At-Grade South San Francisco Station Pedestrian Rail Crossing

Dear Stacy Cocke:

This refers to your letter dated July 13, 2022, received by us on August 11, 2022, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the at-grade South San Francisco Station Pedestrian rail crossing (Crossing) of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain) track, in the City of South San Francisco (City), County of San Mateo. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 105E-9.19-D and DOT Number 922739G.

The South San Francisco Station pedestrian crossing is a single-track crossing running in an east-west direction. The crossing is equipped with two pedestrian Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm) warning devices, EXIT swing gates, detectable warning strips, and pedestrian channelization.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by Caltrain. As the City and Caltrain agree on the alterations and apportionment of costs under the provisions of GO 88-B, the following alterations as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments are authorized:

- Install an overhead catenary system as part of the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project.
- Replace the constant warning time crossing activation system with a two-speed check system.
- Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) compliant signage and pavement markings.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the CA MUTCD, published by the California Department of Transportation. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and CA MUTCD.

This authorization shall expire if the full scope of alterations is not complete within three years of the date of this letter. Caltrain may request time extension to complete the project in writing to RCEB at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The time extension request shall include evidence of

agreement from all involved parties. This authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety requires.

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

The following requirements pertain to this authorization:

- The crossing shall have the configuration and operational characteristics as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments.
- Caltrain shall notify RCEB at least 45 days prior to the date that the new or modified train detection is placed in service by sending notification to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov.
- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, Caltrain shall notify RCEB of the alterations by submitting a Form G to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov. Form G requirements and forms are available on the CPUC web site at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings>.
- Caltrain shall electronically submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form (Form F6180.71) to the FRA per 49 C.F.R. § 234.411(c).

If you have any questions, please contact Eyitejumade "Ade" Sogbesan at (415) 370-1869 or es3@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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