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State Street & C Street
City of San Diego, San Diego County

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the State Street & C Street Rail Crossing

Dear Zach Barhoumi:

This refers to your letter dated November 16, 2022, received by us on November 16, 2022, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the State Street & C Street rail crossing (crossing) of the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) tracks, in the City of San Diego (City), County of San Diego. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 081B-1.45 and DOT Number 911674K.

The crossing is a northbound, three-lane roadway that consists of three tracks. The crossing is equipped with standard traffic control devices for street-running light rail transit.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the City. As the City and MTS 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 a two-way cycle track on the west side of State Street.
- Upgrade the existing signal cabinet and controller to current standards and add bicycle signal indications on the existing traffic signal poles at the intersection of State Street & C Street using the existing conduits. No phasing or timing of the changes to the traffic signals will be implemented.
- Restripe the northbound approach lanes from three lanes to two lanes then to one lane at the crossing, with a separate two-way cycle track lanes through the crossing.
- Convert the existing southeast side State Street loading zones and parallel parking to one loading zone, one parallel parking area, and one accessible parking area, upstream from the crossing.
- Convert the existing southwest side State Street loading zones to 20 feet of accessible floating parking per current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirement and 80 feet of floating loading zone, upstream from the crossing.
- Restripe the northbound lanes downstream of the crossing from three to two lanes while maintaining parallel parking on the east side.
- Convert the northwest side loading zone to floating type and adding accessible parking per current ADA requirements.

- Install continental crosswalks on the north and south legs of State Street & C Street.
- Install bike path striping on the west leg of C Street & State Street.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (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. The City may request a time extension at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The time extension request shall include evidence of agreement by 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.
- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, City and/or MTS 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>.
- MTS 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 Howard Huie at (415) 308-0533 or howard.huie@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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cc: Sharon Cooney, MTS