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## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Campbell Avenue City of Campbell, Santa Clara County

Kenneth Ronsse Deputy Director, Rail & Facilities Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority 3331 North First Street San Jose, CA 95134

## Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Campbell Avenue Rail Crossing

## Dear Kenneth Ronsse:

This refers to your letter dated March 20, 2023, received by us on April 24, 2023, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (G.O.) 88-B, to alter the Campbell Avenue rail crossing (crossing) of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) tracks in the City of Campbell (City), County of Santa Clara. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 82D-6.83 and U.S. DOT Crossing Number 750168M.

The skewed crossing is an east-west, two-lane roadway that consists of one rail transit track and one heavy rail freight track. The crossing is equipped with two curb-mounted Commission Standard 9 (Flashing Light Signal Assembly with Automatic Gate Arm) warning devices and a traffic pre-signal with simultaneous railroad preemption.

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

- Install a pedestrian gate (Commission Standard 9) in the southeast quadrant.
- Reconstruct the sidewalk in the southeast quadrant.
- Install an emergency egress swing gate in the southeast quadrant.
- Replace the detectable warning surface in the southeast quadrant.
- Install pedestrian channelization in the southeast quadrant.
- Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)-compliant signage and pavement markings, including W82-1 "TROLLEY" regulatory sign, W10-9P "NO TRAIN HORN" regulatory sign, R5-1 "DO NOT ENTER regulatory sign, 12" white pedestrian pathway striping, and Type G white retroreflective markers.

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. VTA may request a time extension at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The

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time extension request shall include evidence of agreement by the 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, VTA shall notify RCEB of the alterations by submitting a Form G to <a href="receb@cpuc.ca.gov">receb@cpuc.ca.gov</a>. Form G requirements and forms are available on the CPUC website at <a href="http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings">http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings</a>.
- VTA shall electronically submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (F.R.A.) inventory form (Form F6180.71) to the F.R.A. per 49 C.F.R. § 234.411(c).

If you have any questions, please contact Eyitejumade "Ade" Sogbesan at (415) 703-1869 or ES3@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Todd Capurso, City of Campbell