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July 5, 2023

File Number: XREQ 2023060001 7th Steet and North B Street City of Sacramento, Sacramento County

Philip Vulliet Senior Engineer City of Sacramento 915 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the 7th Steet and North B Street Light-Rail Crossing

Dear Philip Vulliet:

This refers to your letter dated May 22, 2023, received by us on June 8, 2023, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the 7th Steet and North B Street light-rail transit crossing (crossing) of the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SRTD) tracks, in the City of Sacramento (City), County of Sacramento. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 083A-1.09.

Seventh Street and North B Street form a four-way intersection at the crossing location. The doubletrack crossing is traffic-signal controlled with two Commission Standard 1-R (crossbuck sign on a post) warning signs and railroad preemption.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the City. As the City and SRTD 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:

- Widen the intersection to the west.
- Reconfigure the westbound North B Street approach to create a dedicated left turn lane, a dedicated through lane, a Class II bike lane, and a dedicated right-turn pocket.
- Reconfigure the eastbound North B Street approach to create a dedicated left turn lane, a through/right-turn lane, and a Class II bike lane.
- Reconfigure the northbound approach of 7th Street to create a dedicated left turn lane and a through/right-turn lane.
- Install a Class IV two-way cycle track on the west side of the roadway with a dedicated cycle crossing on the west side of the intersection.
- Install new curb ramps at the 7th Street and North B Steet intersection.
- Realign and/or restripe the existing crosswalks across North B Street and the northbound approach of 7th Street.
- Install video vehicle/bicycle detection.
- Install parking restrictions with red curb and R26 signs on both North B Street approaches.

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• Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)-compliant signage and pavement markings, including "KEEP CLEAR" pavement markings and R3-4 "No U-Turn", W82-1 (CA) "Trolley Look Both Ways", and W10-7 "Trolley Approaching" Activated Blank-out, and R3-1 Activated Blank-Out regulatory signs.

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. The City may request a 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 by involved parties. 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, the City shall notify RCEB of the alterations by submitting a Form G to <u>rceb@cpuc.ca.gov</u>. Form G requirements and forms are available on the CPUC web site at <u>http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact David Stewart at (415) 806-0490 or <u>david.stewart@cpuc.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ryan Moore, City of Sacramento Craig Norman, SRTD