

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 20241000001
Plymouth Ave and Ocean Avenue
City of San Francisco, San Francisco County

Darcie Alaba
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San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
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San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Plymouth Ave and Ocean Avenue Rail Crossing

Dear Darcie Alaba:

This refers to your letter received by us on September 24, 2024, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Plymouth Ave and Ocean Avenue rail crossing (crossing) of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) tracks, in the City of San Francisco (City), County of San Francisco. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 125K-13.81.

Plymouth Ave is a north-south, two-lane roadway that consists of two street running light rail tracks on Ocean Avenue. Northbound Plymouth Ave and southbound Plymouth Avenue are offset at Ocean Avenue. The crossing is equipped with traffic signals.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by SFMTA. The following alterations as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments are authorized:

- Installing left turn traffic signals and adding a protected left turn phase for west-bound Ocean Avenue.
- Replacing the traffic signals at southbound Plymouth Avenue and Ocean Avenue with a 2 Way STOP controlled intersection with Ocean Avenue having a through movement.

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. SFMTA 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, SFMTA 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>.

If you have any questions, please contact Sia Mozaffari at (415) 471-4129 or siavash.mozaffari@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew Bond". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Matthew Bond, P.E.
Program and Project Supervisor
Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch
Rail Safety Division