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CPUC MAKES SAFETY AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS TO SFMTA

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9, 2013 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has completed two extensive audits of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), finding that it is mostly in compliance with regulations, but a few improvements must be made to ensure and increase the safe and secure operation of the transit system.

The CPUC conducts on-site safety reviews and security reviews of transit agencies such as SFMTA at least once every three years. The CPUC's 2012 Triennial On-Site Safety Review of SFMTA and 2012 Triennial On-Site Security Review of SFMTA demonstrate that SFMTA is, for the most part, in compliance with safety and security requirements; however, some program areas of non-compliance were identified during the review. CPUC staff recommended corrective actions and last Thursday the CPUC ordered SFMTA to implement the recommendations.

The safety audit is a comprehensive review of SFMTA's system safety. It details the CPUC's review and inspection of SFMTA's system and operations for compliance with CPUC general orders and its operations and maintenance procedures. The CPUC's safety review consisted of on-site physical inspections of track, switches, signals, grade crossing equipment, vehicles, and electric power systems; and observations of the day-to-day duties performed by SFMTA employees from various job classifications. CPUC staff interviewed management and rank and file employees, reviewed system safety program elements, examined and evaluated selected program records, inspected selected facilities and equipment, and observed various operations and maintenance activities. The CPUC made 24 recommendations that SFMTA will now implement.

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The security audit is a comprehensive review of security related aspects of SFMTA's operations, including implementation of SFMTA's required System Security Plan, internal security audit program, security and emergency response training plan, emergency drills and training, passenger and employee security, and threat and vulnerability assessments. The CPUC's review is based on CPUC and Federal Transit Administration requirements, as well the guidelines of the American Public Transportation Association and Transportation Security Administration.

The safety report voted on is available at:

http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M076/K275/76275697.PDF, and its attachment is at:

http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M071/K593/71593357.PDF.

The security report voted on is available at:

http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M076/K274/76274105.PDF, and its attachment is at:

http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M071/K731/71731176.PDF,

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