

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Consumer Protection and Safety Division Reliability and Safety Branch Rail Transit Safety Section	Resolution ST-102 March 26, 2009
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RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ST-102. GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY'S SAFETY CERTIFICATION PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL SUBWAY THIRD STREET LIGHT RAIL PROJECT PHASE 2

SUMMARY

This Resolution grants San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) request for approval of its "Safety and Security Certification Plan (SSCP) for the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2," dated October 10, 2008.

BACKGROUND

Commission General Order 164-D, *Rules and Regulations Governing State Safety Oversight of Rail Fixed Guideway Systems*, requires Rail Fixed Guideway Systems to prepare a project specific SSCP for each major project and ensure that all entities involved in design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the project shall comply with its requirements. The SSCP ensures that elements critical to the safety are planned, designed, constructed, analyzed, tested, inspected, and implemented. The SSCP also ensures that training is provided and rules and procedures are followed. A written Safety Certification Verification Report (SCVR) is required by CPUC General Order 164-D at the end of the project. The SCVR shall be submitted to CPUC staff upon project

completion. The SCVR is then reviewed by CPUC staff and an approval letter is sent to the transit agency if the SCVR is acceptable.

On February 12, 2009, SFMTA submitted an SSCP for the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2 to CPUC staff for review. On February 12, 2009, SFMTA also submitted a letter to CPUC staff requesting the Commission's approval for the "Safety and Security Certification Plan for the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2." The proposed system is an extension as well as the second phase to the Third Street Light Rail Project that will extend from King Street along Fourth Street, entering a new Central Subway near Bryant Street. It will then cross beneath Market Street and run under Geary and Stockton Streets to Stockton and Clay Streets. Underground subway stations will be located at Moscone Center, Market Street, Union Square and Clay Street in Chinatown.

NOTICE

Notice of the filing was made in the Commission's Daily Calendar, January 22, 2009.

PROTESTS

No protests or objections have been filed with the Commission.

DISCUSSION

The SSCP is filed as required by General Order 164-D. SFMTA worked with CPUC staff to ensure the safety certification plan is comprehensive. Staff reviewed the SSCP and found it to be in accordance with General Order 164-D.

COMMENTS

This is an uncontested matter in which the resolution grants the relief requested. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 311(g)(2) of the Public Utilities Code and Rule 14.6(c)(2) of the Commission's Rules and Practice and Procedure, the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment is waived.

FINDINGS

1. On February 12, 2009, SFMTA submitted its "Safety and Security Certification Plan" for the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2 to CPUC staff for review.
2. On February 12, 2009, SFMTA's letter to CPUC staff requested the Commission's approval of the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2 SCP.
3. The proposed system is an extension as well as the second phase to the Third Street Light Rail Project that will extend from King Street along Fourth Street, entering a new Central Subway near Bryant Street. It will then cross beneath Market Street and run under Geary and Stockton Streets to Stockton and Clay Streets. Underground subway stations will be located at Moscone Center, Market Street, Union Square and Clay Street in Chinatown.
4. Staff reviewed the SSCP and found it to be in accordance with General Order 164-D.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) request for approval of its Safety Certification Plan for the Central Subway Third Street Light Rail Project Phase 2 is granted.
2. SFMTA shall submit the Safety Certification Verification Report to CPUC staff upon project completion.

3. This Resolution is effective today.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed and adopted at a conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California held on March 26, 2009; the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

/s/ PAUL CLANON
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