

EXHIBIT 1-C

Docket No. DCA-08-MR009

**NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20594**

DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20594

In the matter of the Investigation of the Collision of
Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink)
Passenger Train No. 111 and Union Pacific Railroad
Freight Train No. LOF65-12 in Chatsworth, California,
on September 12, 2008

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DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICER

Pursuant to the authority conferred by the National Transportation Safety Board, Paul L. Stancil, Accident Investigator, Office of Railroad, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Investigations, is hereby designated as Hearing Officer to conduct a public hearing, on behalf of the National Transportation Safety Board, to be held in the above matter. The said Hearing Officer is authorized to set the time and place of the hearing, to give notice thereof, and to exercise such other powers in connection with the conduct of such proceedings as authorized by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Dated this 19 day of December 2008

FOR THE BOARD



Mark V. Rosenker
Acting Chairman