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August 27, 2019

Mr. Henry Li
General Manager
Sacramento Regional Transit District
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Subject: Preliminary recommendation from investigation of 8/22/2019 Collision

Dear Mr. Li:

During the course of our investigation activities, along with the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), undertaken since the collision between two trains on Sacramento Regional Transit District's (SRTD) Blue line on the evening of August 22, 2019, Staff has identified two actions to address potential hazards we believe should be mitigated at once, while we participate along with NTSB investigators to complete our investigation to determine all causal and contributory factors. We are requiring the two actions identified below be implemented immediately.

- 1 Immediately cease testing or troubleshooting of trains on SRTD's mainline track during revenue hours; and
- 2 Require that Metro Control always have a second Transportation Supervisor present in the Metro Control Center so that a single person is not dispatching and controlling trains simultaneously.

We will revisit the need for and advisability of continuing these requirements as the investigation findings become established.

Should you have any questions concerning these items, please contact me at (415) 308-7698 or roger.clugston@cpuc.ca.gov ; or Mr. Daren Gilbert at (916) 928-6858 or daren.gilbert@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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