

Memorandum

To: Chairman and Commissioners

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Action

Ref: PROPOSITION 116 PROJECT APPROVALS/AMENDMENTS – AMEND PA-96-31,
LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – METRO
GREEN LINE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SERVICE

ISSUE:

According to Resolution G-90-23, the Clean Air and Transportation Improvement Act Rail Program Guidelines, passed by the Commission on December 7, 1990, the Commission will award grants as specified in CATIA and ensure that the CATIA is implemented over a term of the Act from 1990 to 2010. In order to fully implement the program, Commission staff intends to program funds available from projects that were canceled or withdrawn and savings from completed projects. Staff is in the process of determining the future uses for the available funding.

Commission staff has identified a project from PUC Section 99630, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Metro Green Line Light Rail Transit Service Project that is complete with savings. In order to make the funds available for other projects, the Commission must first adjust the funding for each completed or withdrawn project to be consistent with the total amount expended and de-program the savings.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution to adjust funding to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (PUC Section 99630) Proposition 116 Rail Program project and de-program the savings for future uses.

BACKGROUND:

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority has completed the Metro Green Line Light Rail Transit Service Project with savings. The attached resolution includes the date of project approval, the applicant and project title, the approved funding, the total project cost, and the savings from the project.

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Commission Project Application Approval Amendment
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Proposition 116 Application for the
Metro Green Line Light Rail Transit Service

Resolution PA-05-

Amending PA-96-31

- 1.1 WHEREAS, in June 1990 the voters approved Proposition 116, the Clean Air and Transportation Improvement Act, for \$1.99 billion for rail and mass transportation purposes; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, the California Transportation Commission is designated in Proposition 116 to oversee the five grant programs over the 20-year term of the Proposition; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 calls for the Commission to establish an application process and to develop and adopt guidelines to implement those programs; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 establishes as a purpose of the application process that it "facilitate implementation of improved cost-effective transit service to the maximum number of Californians and to prevent the funds provided for by this part from being spent on needlessly costly features"; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 requires applications to specify full and complete capital plans, financial plans, and operating plans, including schedules and funding sources; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS, the financial plans include a back-up funding plan, should the project exceed the cost approved by the Commission the increased cost shall be covered by funds other than Proposition 116; and
- 1.7 WHEREAS, the Commission has established a Hazardous Waste Identification and Clean-up Policy (#G-91-2) that requires the local agency to have performed full due diligence in identifying the hazardous waste in the right-of-way and easements and properties as well as clean-up, and that the state has been indemnified from clean-up liability of damages, both present and future; and
- 1.8 WHEREAS, in December 1990 the Commission adopted policy and application guidelines (#G-90-23) for the Proposition 116 rail program; and
- 1.9 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 (PUC Section 99630) authorizes \$229,000,000 on a dollar-for-dollar match basis, to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for expenditure on rail projects within Los Angeles County; and

- 1.10 WHEREAS, in October 1996 the Commission approved an amended application request that reprogrammed \$4,750,000 in Proposition 116 cost savings toward the cost of constructing a maintenance-of-way facility and other passenger and station amenities, and to reduce the previously approved \$84,000,000 in Proposition 116 funds by \$500,000 to \$83,500,000, for a revised total project cost of \$712,302,000; and
- 1.11 WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority has completed the Metro Green Line project and has a cost savings of \$62,083; and
- 2.1 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the Proposition 116 amended application from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Metro Green Line Project and the Commission hereby adjusts the approved funding for the Metro Green Line Project to \$83,437,917 and de-programs the savings of \$62,083 for future uses to be determined; and
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution PA-96-31, is hereby amended.