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Metro Orange Line Testing

Media Relations worked with the Daily News and Los Angeles Times today to update the papers on the status of testing for the Metro Orange Line. Buses will begin operational tests this Sunday on an intermittent basis between the North Hollywood and Van Nuys station only. Metro advises communities in the area to keep off the Rapidway and exercise caution at street intersections. Testing will occur weekdays from 5 p.m. to approximately 1 a.m. Stories are expected this weekend.

Transit Security

The Korean Times inquired today regarding Board action yesterday to purchase Closed Circuit Television and Digital Video Recorders for installation on board Metro trains. Media Relations escorted the reporter and photographer for a tour of the Metro Red Line and provided information to the reporter in terms of the number of cameras presently installed in the system and our effort to enhance the stations with state-of-the-art equipment.

Lawsuit Settlements Approved By The Board

City News Service (CNS) inquired today regarding Board action that took place in closed session yesterday following the Board meeting. Per County Counsel, the reporter was told that the Board approved settlements for items 1, 2, and 3, under closed session in the amounts of \$450,000, \$750,000 and \$325,000 respectively.

Line 268 Media Passenger Complaint

KRCA-TV (Ch. 62) inquired today regarding allegations from a passenger that one of Metro's bus operators mistreated them on Line 268 on August 14. Media Relations told the reporter that the passenger needs to provide the bus number and the date and time the incident happened to Metro and we will follow up with our own investigation. They are planning to air a story on the alleged incident tonight.

Teamsters Dispute With Transportation Concepts

The Los Angeles Times and City News Service (CNS) today requested a copy of the memo being prepared by Metro staff to the Board outlining issues surrounding the Teamster's dispute with Transportation Concepts as discussed at yesterday's Board meeting. The reporters were told that once the memo is distributed to the Board, copies would be made available.

Update on Contract Bus Services Labor Issue - Day 26

Transportation Concepts made 100% on-time rollout again this morning. There were eight drivers and two teamsters representatives walking the picket lines. There were no incidents with the picketers or TCI operators.

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