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TCU Ratifies Tentative Labor Agreement

On Wednesday, July 5th, members of the Transportation Communications Union (TCU) gathered at the National Association of Letter Carriers in Los Angeles and at Metro headquarters to cast their votes for the tentative collective bargaining agreement. 99% of TCU's membership supported the plan. The other recently-negotiated agreements with the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) and the United Transportation Union (UTU) were also approved by their respective memberships. All three agreements will be presented to the Board for final approval at the next regular meeting on July 27, 2006.

Solar Panel Press Event Recap

This morning, Los Angeles City Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Director Katz, executives from the Southern California Gas Company and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and myself convened in Sun Valley to showcase the agency's noteworthy solar panel installation in the Division 15 office building. The system's 1,648 solar modules combine to produce 425 kilowatts of clean, renewable electricity – enough generating capacity to power more than 100 homes for 25 years. The project is one of the largest solar power generation efforts by any transportation agency in the United States and the panels have saved the agency \$185,000 in electricity costs during the department's first operating year. Numerous media outlets were present at the event, and stories are expected to run today and tomorrow.

Upcoming CEO Meetings and Events

Next week I will attend the General Manager's Group Meeting and the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors Meeting. I will also

participate in an overview of the Route 710 Tunnel Feasibility Study with the San Marino City Council.

Of Note

On July 8, 1976, a ballot measure asking for voter approval of a half cent sales tax for the "Sunset Coast Line" was rejected by voters. The line was to be a mass rapid transit system, a mix of heavy rail, light rail and monorail and would have been constructed jointly by the County and SCRTD. Baxter Ward's work in this effort with the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (now the Federal Transit Administration) however, may have opened doors for the forthcoming Metro Rail project.

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