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Media Inquiry Regarding Metro on Heightened Alert

Commander Pat Jordan with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) participated in several media interviews this morning regarding heightened security on the Metro system as a result of the bombings that occurred in Boston. Jordan explained to the media that additional LASD deputies and K-9 units have been deployed to major transit facilities including Union Station in downtown Los Angeles. He encouraged the public to report any suspicious activity and use the intercom system at rail stations or on board rail cars to alert authorities. Media who interviewed Jordan included KCBS/KCAL, KNBC, KABC and KNX Radio. Stories are expected throughout the day.

Metro Energy Blue Ribbon Collaborative, Executive Meeting

Yesterday, I was joined by Ron Nichols, General Manager of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP); Lisa Cagnolatti, Vice-President of Southern California Edison (SCE); Anne Shen Smith, CEO of Southern California Gas Company (SCG); J.R. DeShazo, Professor at UCLA and Metro and utility staff for the inaugural meeting of Metro's Energy Blue Ribbon Collaborative (Energy BRC). The Energy BRC is a regional collaborative to address energy related issues and is the first of its kind in the nation to be organized and spearheaded by a transit agency. Member agencies of the Energy BRC will assist Metro in our energy requirements and efforts to reduce our carbon footprint.

The meeting covered Metro's energy profile and needs, future energy requirements, renewable energy goals, and staff's ongoing work with the staff from our Energy BRC partners. The executives discussed goals and objectives for the Energy BRC and committed to continuing their involvement through regular BRC meetings. Potential pilot projects can be pursued to demonstrate the effectiveness, applicability, and implementability of sustainable development principles in Metro projects.

The Energy BRC is designed to showcase how a large energy consumer (Metro) can work collaboratively with utility providers (LADWP, SCE, SCG) in integrating proven and innovative energy efficient features and practices into its operations to reduce consumption and decrease greenhouse gas and other harmful air emissions. I look forward to a long and valuable collaborative relationship with our Energy BRC members. Quarterly meetings are planned.

Expo Light Rail Line Construction Notice

Motor Avenue Bridge Construction

As part of the construction of Phase 2 of the Expo Light Rail Line, work crews will begin all the necessary activities to support the construction of the Motor Avenue Bridge, including implementation of new traffic controls, excavation for the bridge foundations and construction of the bridge structure on the Expo Right-of-Way (ROW) in the City of Los

Angeles. The work is being managed and performed by the Expo Phase 2 design-build contractor Skanska-Rados, Joint Venture (SRJV) and its subcontractors. Construction activities will take place on the Expo ROW and Motor Avenue, just north of Irene Street. This construction work will take place on Monday, April 29, 2013 through Friday, May 3, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday, May 6, 2013 through Friday, May 10, 2013 from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. and Monday, May 6, 2013 until approximately 6 to 8 months from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. To view the complete construction notice, please click here.

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