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Dear Congressman Dreier:

I am writing to follow up on my October 10, 2003 letter to you concerning gaining Governor-Elect Arnold Schwarzenegger's assistance in our effort to secure a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) for the Eastside Light Rail Line. The FFGA for the Eastside Project would deliver over \$490 million in federal funds to the State of California over the course of several years.

We are currently in the final stages of the FFGA process. The FFGA process was formally begun in October of 2002, when the Federal Transit Administration approved entry into the Final Design phase for the Eastside Project. Since that time, the MTA has worked to complete the FFGA process in a professional and timely manner.

For your review and consideration, I have enclosed a document that clearly defines what action we would like the Governor-Elect to take in relation to the Eastside Project. We are hopeful that the Governor-Elect's effort, coupled with the efforts of other proponents of this worthwhile project, will generate the support needed to accelerate the U.S. Department of Transportation awarding a FFGA for the Eastside Project.

Your assistance in this matter is very much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (213) 922-6888 regarding any questions you may have concerning this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Roger Snoble
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure
