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CERTIFIED DISTRICT OF CASIFORNIA
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RALPH W. KEITH, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

CIVIL NO. 72-355-HP

AMENDED FINAL CONSENT DECREE

JOHN A. VOLPE, individually and as Secretary of Transportation, et al.,

Defendants.

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WHEREAS, the above-entitled action was filed on February 16, 1972, in the United States District Court, Los ... Angeles, California, by several individuals who reside in the path of the proposed I-105 (sometimes hereafter "Century") Freeway, the Los Angeles chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Feeple, the Sierra Club, and the Environmental Defense Fund;

WHEREAS, the complaint alleged that the California

Department of Transportation (hereafter "Caltrans"), its Director

and officials (hereafter "State defendants") and the United States

Department of Transportation, its Secretary and officials

- 1 (hereafter "Federal defendants") failed to comply with the
- 2 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the California
- 3 Environmental Quality Act of 1970, the Urban Mass Transportation
- 4 · Act of 1964, the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property
- 5 Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, the Federal-Aid Highway Act, and
- 6 the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments of the United States
- 7 Constitution;
- 8 WHEREAS, on July 7, 1972, after a hearing on the issues,
- g this court enjoined all activities in furtherance of construction
- 10 of the I-105 Freeway until such time as State and Federal
- 11 defendants complied with the applicable requirements of the
- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the California
- 13 Environmental Quality Act of 1970, the Federal-Aid Highway Act,
- 14 and the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property
- 15 Acquisition Policies Act of 1970;
- 16 WHEREAS, State and Federal defendants have, in
- 17 compliance with the court's order, held additional public hearings
- 18 on the Century Freeway and completed preparation of a Final
- 19 Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS"), which EIS has been filed
- 20 with the above-entitled court;
- 21 WHEREAS, the court finds that the defendants have fully
- 22 complied with applicable requirements of the National
- 23 Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the California Environmental
- 24 Quality Act of 1970, the Federal-Aid Highway Act, and the Uniform
- 25 Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act
- of 1970, and the terms of the preliminary injunction heretofore
- 27 entered by this court on July 7, 1972;

- WHEREAS, the court finds that the Housing Plan, attached
- 2 hereto as Exhibit B, is in full mitigation of the environmental
- 3 impacts on housing stocks resulting from the I-105 Freeway
- 4 project;
- 5 WHEREAS, plaintiffs have reviewed the Final
- 6 Environmental Impact Statement to determine whether to challenge
- 7 its adequacy in light of the requirements of the National
- 8 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the California Environmental
- 9 Quality Act of 1970;
- 10 WHEREAS, plaintiffs and State defendants and Federal
- 11 defendants have agreed to settle all claims in this action;
- 12 WHEREAS the purposes of the Decree are to permit the
- 13 I-105 Freeway to be built so long as it incorporates the design
- 14 features and support facilities described by the Decree, including
- 15 six lanes for general traffic and two transit/HOV lanes, ten
- 16 transit stations, ten park-and-ride facilities and ramp metering;
- 17 to provide that State and Federal defendants will use their best
- 18 efforts, consistent with applicable law, to authorize and provide
- 19 funds for a bus or rail transitway with supporting facilities on
- 20 the Harbor Freeway with capability for a link to the I-105
- 21 Freeway; to assure that the housing stock which is in
- 22 distinguishably short supply in the affected communities is not
- 23 depleted and to provide for the housing needs of those living in
- 24 the area of the proposed path of the freeway; to ensure that
- 25 employment opportunities generated by the project will benefit the
- 26 communities which have been economically impacted by the size and
- 27 location of the project; and to avoid further costly and lengthy
- 28 delays from litigation or otherwise;

WHEREAS, for and in consideration of the mutual promises 1

of plaintiffs and State and Federal defendants and conditioned 2

upon the undertakings set forth herein, the parties have agreed to 3

settle this litigation under the terms of this Decree;

WHEREAS, the following exhibits are attached hereto and 5

incorporated as terms of this Decree:

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- (a) Exhibit A, referred to as "LACTC SCRTD 7 . Commitments," is the commitments made by the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission ("LACTC") and the Southern California Rapid Transit District ("SCRTD") for the necessary financial allocations to fund the required local share for transitway support facilities and operating costs.
  - (b) Exhibit B, referred to as the "Housing Plan," is that relocation housing plan describing the housing which will be provided pursuant to this Decree.
    - (c) Exhibit C, referred to as the \*Employment Action Plan, " is that affirmative action plan which will provide employment opportunities for minority citizens and residents of the communities affected by this project.

WHEREAS, the parties have met to discuss the cost of the project as originally designed and limitations on available resources, and have reached the conclusion that modification of the project is desirable in the interest of cost reduction and have agreed upon certain modifications in the Decree originally entered in this case, which modifications are acceptable to the court;

27 WHEREAS, the court has been fully informed of the facts and circumstances: 28

- NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, ORDERED, 1
- 2 ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:
- In view of the EIS and the terms contained in this 3
- Decree, the parties agree that the injunction heretofore entered
- by this court on July 7, 1972 shall forthwith be dissolved.
- This court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter, 6 .
- until the Judgment of Dismissal is entered pursuant to the terms 7
- 8 of this Amended Decree.

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#### I-105 FREEWAY -- DESIGN AND OPERATION I.

- 10 The I-105 Freeway shall be constructed as proposed in
- 11 the Final Environmental Impact Statement on file with the
- 12 above-entitled court, except as modified by the specific
- 13 provisions of this decree.

# Six-Lane Controlled-Access Highway

15 A freeway transit facility, including a transitway 16 as described in paragraph I. B. below, approximately 17.2 miles long, running west to east in the County of Los Angeles from the vicinity of the Los Angeles International Airport to the San Gabriel River Freeway (Route 605) shall be built. It shall contain six lanes for general traffic with a basic median width not to exceed 64 feet (except where necessary to provide for such facilities as stations and bridge columns), which will contain a separate transit/HOV facility which will be convertible to operation of a light rail transit facility. The freeway will have ramp meters as necessary, to be built and installed and

operational when the freeway opens. Such metering will be operated by State defendants, and will regulate flow of traffic onto the freeway according to traffic conditions to minimize congestion. The I-105 Freeway shall be constructed as a landscaped freeway, and incorporate noise attenuation measures, all as set out in the Final Environmental Impact Statement previously filed in this court.

The design will include four freeway-to-freeway interchanges and ten local interchanges, to be constructed in the immediate vicinity of the ten transit stations in the approximate locations depicted in Exhibit D and referred to in paragraph I. D. below. Termination facilities interchanging with the surface street system shall be constructed at the easterly and westerly termini of the freeway.

# B. Transit/High-Occupancy Vehicle ("HOV") Lanes

Transit/High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes carrying buses and carpools in the median of the freeway shall be incorporated into the initial construction of the freeway and shall be operational at the time the freeway is opened to traffic. (These lanes may hereafter be referred to as a "transitway.") Although the transitway is presently designed for buses and carpools, the facility shall be designed to be convertible to light rail. Nothing in this Decree shall preclude the

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substitution of light rail as an alternative mode of public transportation for the bus/HOV/carpool facility which would otherwise have operated within the transitway.

The design will include provision for a transit/HOV connection to the Harbor Freeway although this connection will not be included as part of the initial construction of the I-105 project. Plaintiffs do not favor the use of buses as permanent or long-term public transportation in Los Angeles. Plaintiffs would prefer to have the light rail alternative constructed from the beginning but recognize the limitations on funding.

In the event State defendants find that a rail alternative is appropriate, State defendants may modify the project without court order to provide:

(a) for a light rail facility as a substitute for the busway/HOV/carpool obligations contained herein; (b) that the light rail transitway will be completed at a time certain, which date may be after the freeway is opened to automobile traffic; and (c) that PHWA will' participate in the initial construction of a light rail and transit station facility only to the extent of the costs of the (i) transit/HOV facility/carpool facility described in this Paragraph B; and (ii) the support facilities described in Paragraph D at page 8.

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# C. Transit Operating Costs

Operating costs for the buses which will use the transitway shall be provided by local transportation sources. Such funds may include funds from the Federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration ("UMTA"). A commitment to allocate such funds has been made by the LACTC and SCRTD by letters attached as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference. Levels of service shall be established and supported by sufficient funds as set forth in Exhibit A. It is further agreed that the plaintiffs and defendants shall take all reasonable steps to enforce the commitments secured from the appropriate agencies that buses shall be operating when the entire I-105 Freeway is open to traffic.

# D. Support Facilities for Transit/HOV Lanes

Support facilities for the transitway shall be built and shall be operational at the opening of the freeway. Such facilities shall consist of not more than ten transit stations, designed and built to be convertible to rail stations if necessary in the future, to be constructed with their attendant loading platforms, pedestrian access-ways and park-and-ride facilities. These stations will be at the approximate locations depicted in Exhibit D.

funding for such facilities shall be included in freeway project costs covered by Federal-Aid Interstate funds to the full extent budgeted by Congress. In the

more elaborately than the loading platforms, pedestrian access—ways and park—and—ride facilities provided for in this Paragraph D as a project cost, then the additional cost shall be provided by Federal funds from UMTA, if available, and local matching funds from the LACTC. By Exhibit A, incorporated by reference, these local funds have been committed. If the local transit agencies involved do not honor these funding commitments, upon petition by and consultation with plaintiffs' counsel or State defendants, the United States Secretary of Transportation may, based upon a written statement of reasons, cut off discretionary funding to those local agencies for other transportation purposes in an amount equivalent to those unfulfilled obligations.

Caltrans shall consult with the intervenor Cities herein in regard to the location and configuration of the support facilities within their respective jurisdiction as well as the conventional freeway facility.

# E. Connection Between Century Freeway and Los Angeles International Airport ("LAX")

Access shall be provided from the freeway to LAX.

State defendants shall work with the Los Angeles
Department of Airports to develop a plan to facilitate
access from the freeway to LAX. Priority access to LAX
may be provided for buses and carpools to the maximum
extent possible. The resultant plan shall be

incorporated into the initial construction of the freeway.

# II. - HARBOR FREEWAY LINKAGE

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# A. Bus or Rail Transitway on Harbor Freeway

To the extent consistent with applicable state and federal laws, the Federal defendants will use their best efforts to authorize and provide funding for a transitway on the Harbor Freeway from the proposed intersection with the I-105 Freeway to a point approximately 7.5 miles north. When federal authorization and funding has been provided, the State defendants shall construct this transitway. It is intended that this transitway be funded from the Interstate Highway Trust Fund. Although the transitway is presently designed for buses and carpools, the facility shall be suitable for transition to rail. Nothing in this Decree shall preclude the substitution of rail for buses as an alternative mode of transportation. The transitway, therefore, shall be built in such a way that engineering, design and physical features necessary in the event of conversion to rail are incorporated into the initial construction to the fullest extent feasible. The design of this transitway shall provide for direct linkage to the Century Freeway transitway. This transitway shall be funded by Federal-Aid Interstate funding. State defendants shall make their best efforts to obtain said funding and to have said transitway operating at the same time as the I-105 Freeway is opened to traffic. Provided State defendants make their best efforts, the funding, commencement of construction

- and operation of said transitway is not a condition to the
- 2 construction and operation of the I-105 Freeway.
- 3 B. Support Facilities for Transitway
- Passenger stations, passenger loading platforms,
- 5 pedestrian access-ways, and park-and-ride facilities
- 6 comparable to those provided for the I-105 Freeway will be
- 7 provided. Funding for these facilities will be made
- 8 available in the same fashion as for the I-105 Freeway, as
- 9 provided in Paragraph I. D., pages 8 and 9 above.
- 10 III. REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE:
- 11 ESTABLISHMENT OF AN "OFFICE OF THE ADVOCATE FOR
- 12 CORRIDOR RESIDENTS"
- 13 All property acquisition and relocation activities shall
- 14 be in compliance with the relocation assistance requirements of
- 15 42 United States Code, section 4601 et seq., 23 Code of Federal
- 16 Regulations, section 740.1 et seq., and 24 Code of Federal
- 17 Regulations, section 43.1 et seq., if applicable, and 25
- 18 California Administrative Code sections 6150-6176, except insofar
- 19 as the State and Federal defendants have committed by the terms of
- 20 this Decree to exceed the minimum requirements set forth under
- 21 these applicable statutes and regulations.
- There shall be created an Office of the Advocate for
- 23 Corridor Residents ("Office"). All funding for the Office as
- 24 authorized by the budget shall be provided in the same manner as
- 25 any other project cost. The individual in charge of said office
- 26 is referred to herein as the "Advocate" who shall be selected by
- 27 and serve at the pleasure of the plaintiffs. Upon motion by any

- l of the defendants and by good cause shown, the Court may remove
- 2 the individual serving as the Corridor Advocate. The Advocate
- 3 shall be compensated at the same level as a senior right-of-way
- 4 agent. The Advocate initially shall have authority to hire two
- 5 additional staff people, one at a salary level comparable to that
- 6 of an associate right-of-way agent (State of California) and one
- 7 at a salary at least equivalent to that of a stenographer Range B
- 8 (State of California). Caltrans shall be responsible for under-
- 9 writing all reasonable costs associated with the operation of the
- 10 Advocate's Office necessary to perform all duties assigned to it
- ll by this Decree. The Office of the Advocate for Corridor Residents
- 12 is not an agency of the federal government for any purpose. 'At.
- 13 any time when requested by the Advocate, Caltrans or plaintiffs,
- 14 or on his own initiative, the Director of Housing and Community
- 15 Development may review the staffing needs of the Advocate's Office
- 16 to determine whether demands placed on the Office require its
- 17 expansion or reduction. If Caltrans or plaintiffs believe that
- 18 the staff and budget increases or decreases authorized by the
- 19 Director of Housing and Community Development are not supportable
- 20 based upon demonstrated or projected demands on the Advocate's
- 21 Office, the Director of Caltrans or plaintiffs may appeal to the
- 22 Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing whose judgment
- 23 shall be final.

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- 24 The Office shall have assigned to it the following
- 25 duties and responsibilities:
- 26 A. To establish a local office in the general area
- 27 where the remaining displacees reside and in a location

reasonably convenient to public transportation. The office will be open during hours convenient to the persons to be relocated, including evening hours when necessary. Notice of the existence of the office and its hours shall be included in all State defendants' communications with displacees including the first notice.

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- B. To monitor State defendants' compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations pertaining to the relocation rights of displacees. Such monitoring shall include but not be limited to review and comment upon the draft texts of notices and information sheets to be supplied to displacees. It shall review and comment upon the strategy for notification and advising of tenants of rental units of their eligibility for benefits.
  - C. To receive and record all displacee complaints.
- D. To provide, upon request by any displacee, any information relevant to the displacee's relocation benefits under applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
- E. To assist displacees who have claims or complaints arising out of determination of eligibility, the amount of payment they will receive, or the provision of adequate replacement housing. State defendants shall make available all relevant information concerning a particular displacee upon request by the Office.
- F. To assist displaces in resolving any disputed claim with Caltrans by seeking conciliation, review, or appeal of a decision by State defendants consistent with the procedures

set forth in 25 California Administrative Code, sections 6150-6176, in those instances where the Advocate determi  $\epsilon$  that the displacee's claim has merit.

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- G. To prepare and file with plaintiffs, Caltrans, r Housing and Community Development quarterly reports on the activities of Advocate. The report shall indicate:
  - The number and type of corridor resident complaints;
  - 2. Perceived patterns, if any, of violation c laws or regulations by Caltrans; or perceived misinte pretations of laws or regulations by Caltrans; and
  - 3. The disposition, if any, of said complaints perceived violations or misinterpretations.
- H. To request Caltrans to correct any claims of sime ficant widespread noncompliance and to submit recommendations, if any, for correction. (To the fullest extent possible, the Advocate shall have direct access to the highest level of Caltrans administration when field staff either unable to or will not resolve conflicts arising with current corridor residents.)

plaintiffs may petition this court for judicial reviusing appropriate judicial standards to compel compliancater the above-described method of conflict resolution to been followed, which, in the judgment of plaintiffs, has resulted in termination of the alleged significant wides renoncompliance. Plaintiffs may also seek declaratory reliefrom this court interpreting the law or any regulation vi

- the Advocate believes is being misapplied by Caltrans.
- Plaintiffs shall not have the right to seek judicial relief
- for individual corridor residents. However, evidence showing
- 4 cumulative individual experience may be offered for the sole
- 5 purpose of tending to prove alleged significant widespread
- 6 noncompliance by Caltrans.
- 7 IV. HOUSING PLAN -- REHABILITATION AND RELOCATION OF UNITS
- 8 PRESENTLY OWNED AND TO BE ACQUIRED BY STATE DEFENDANTS
- 9 Exhibit B entitled \*Development and Implementation of
- 10 Housing Plan\* as modified herein by agreement of the parties is
- 11 attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
- 12 V. EMPLOYMENT ACTION PLAN
- 13 As assurance of their intent to provide employment
- 14 opportunities for women and minority citizens and residents of the
- 15 communities affected by this project, defendants shall initiate
- 16 and complete the Employment Action Plan which is attached hereto
- 17 as Exhibit C, and incorporated herein by reference.
- 18 VI. AMENDMENT TO AND ENFORCEMENT OF FINAL CONSENT DECREE
- 19 Upon noticed motion and opportunity to any party to
- 20 object, this Amended Decree may be modified or amended if
- 21 plaintiffs' counsel and State and Federal defendants to this
- 22 litigation agree in writing with the approval of this court. As
- 23 part of its inherent power, the court may modify this Amended
- 24 Decree upon motion by either plaintiffs of Federal defendants or
- 25 State defendants.
- 26 If the terms of this Amended Decree are not complied
- 27 with by any party, then any party may apply to this Court for
- 28 appropriate relief.

- This court shall issue an injunction to enforce any
- 2 terms of this Amended Decree only as a last resort remedy and only
- 3 when no other remedy would reasonably assure compliance with a
- 4 significant term. When selecting a remedy for noncompliance, if
- 5 any, with the terms of this Amended Decree, to the extent that
- 6 effective enforcement of a significant term of the Amended Decree
- 7 permits, a primary consideration shall be to avoid delay of the
- 8 construction, completion, and ultimate opening and operation of
- 9 the freeway or implementation of the housing program.

# 10 VII. NONSEVERABILITY OF DECREE'S PROVISIONS

- In the event that any of the material portions of the
- 12 project as described in the Amended Decree are declared invalid
- 13 and enjoined, plaintiffs, Caltrans or Federal defendants may seek
- 14 an injunction against the implementation of the remaining portions
- 15 of the project as described in the Amended Decree. Should the
- 16 invalidity be upheld on appeal, Caltrans, plaintiffs or Federal
- 17 defendants shall have the right to seek dissolution of the
- 18 Amended Decree and to pursue all available legal claims.

### 19 VIII. TERMINATION OF COURT JURISDICTION

- 20 Upon motion to the court setting forth a description of
- 21 how all terms of this Consent Decree have been fully complied
- 22 with, and absent objection thereto, a Judgment of Dismissal shall
- 23 be entered by the court. If opposition is filed, then the motion
- 24 shall be heard in the ordinary course.

# 25 IX. ATTORNEYS' FEES

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- 26 Upon entry of the Final Consent Judgment, plaintiffs may
- 27 within thirty (30) days file an application with this court for

reasonable attorneys' fees which are to be paid by State defendants. The State defendants shall have thirty (30) days to 2 respond, and plaintiffs may file a reply within fifteen (15) days 3 later. If requested by either party, the court shall calendar the matter for hearing within fourteen (14) days after the request. 5 After the court makes its determination and order, Caltrans shall pay any award within a reasonable time. If, for any reason, the fee award is not paid (a) within a reasonable period of time, or 8 in the alternative, (b) as provided in the manner set out here-9 after in the event of appeal, then no funds shall be expended in 10 furtherance of the I-105 project. It is understood that both 11 plaintiffs and defendants may appeal the amount of the award. 12 13 the event of an appeal, then there shall be paid to plaintiffs within a reasonable time 75% of the amount awarded and the balance 14 of the award shall be deposited in an interest bearing escrow or 15 16 trust account. In the event that an appeal results in a reduction of the award then defendants shall recover any reduction of the 17 18 award (a) first, from the escrow or trust account, and (b) second, 19 from the Center for Law in the Public Interest, if insufficient 20 funds are in the escrow or trust account. In the event that an 21 appeal results in no reduction of the award, the balance in the 22 escrow or trust account (including accumulated interest) shall be 23 paid to the Center for Law in the Public Interest. In the event 24 that the award is increased as a result of appeal, then Caltrans 25 shall pay the Center whatever increase in the award may be ordered 26 by the court. Other than the funds deposited in the escrow or 27 trust account, any funds recovered by defendants or any fees paid

- l to the Center shall include interest based on the average Prime
- 2 Rate from the date of the award or the date of payment to the
- 3 Center, whichever is applicable.
- 4 The Federal defendants may appear in the litigation or
- 5 settlement of any issue regarding attorneys fees.
- 6 Plaintiffs are aware of and in accord with the terms of
- 7 this section.

# 8 X. FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

- 9 Federal defendants will be participating in the cost of
- 10 the I-105 project in the same manner as any other interstate
- 11 freeway project cost. Because the unique size and geographical
- 12 location of the I-105 project will have a significant effect on
- 13 low-income housing stock and employment, certain features of this
- 14 Decree are unique to the I-105 project. Set out hereafter are the
- 15 most obvious provisions of this Decree including the Housing and
- 16 Employment Action Plans which Federal defendants agree are project
- 17 costs entitled to federal participation:
- 18 l. Housing project as provided for in the Housing Plan.
- 19 Exhibit B, as amended and modified by agreement of the
- 20 parties: State defendants, acting by and through the State
- of California, Department of Housing and Community Develop-
- ment (HCD), agree to use their best efforts to rehabilitate
- existing housing within the corridor to implement the Housing
- 24 Plan. It is understood, however, that housing approved by
- 25 the Federal Highway Administration subsequent to August 25,
- 26 1981, may be either new construction or rehabilitation at the
- 27 option of the State of California, Housing and Community

- Development or its successor as may be designated pursuant to this Decree;
- 2. Housing Project Director: Cost of operation
   including staff;
- 3. Housing Advisory Committee: Cost of operation
   including staff;

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- 4. Office of the Corridor Advocate: Cost of operation including staff;
  - 5. Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee: Cost of operation including staff;
    - 6. Vacant Excess Land: No credit to federal funds shall be required for vacant land previously acquired by Caltrans for the I-105 which has become or will become excess land and which is made available for sites to meet the replacement housing obligations contained in this Decree;
    - 7. Rehabilitation in Excess of HUD standards:
      Incremental Costs occasioned by construction in excess of HUD standards where determination made that long-term benefits of such higher standards will outweigh any additional costs involved;
- 8. Reasonable moving expenses for 180-day
  post-acquisition tenants as set forth in Paragraph IV. H. 1
  of the Housing Plan, Exhibit B herein;

The above list is not intended to be exclusive, but is solely an effort to fix responsibility for participation clearly as to the matters listed. Whether Federal defendants will participate in a particular unanticipated future project cost not

- l listed shall be determined by resort to federal law and regula-
- 2 tions and, if applicable, to the intent of this Amended Decree.
- 3 In addition to the above-special items Federal defendants will
- 4 participate in the project cost of the I-105 Freeway as described
- 5 in the final Environmental Impact Statement on file with the
- 6 above-entitled court, except as set forth herein, including the
- 7 transit/HOV facilities described herein.
- B I. Plaintiffs:

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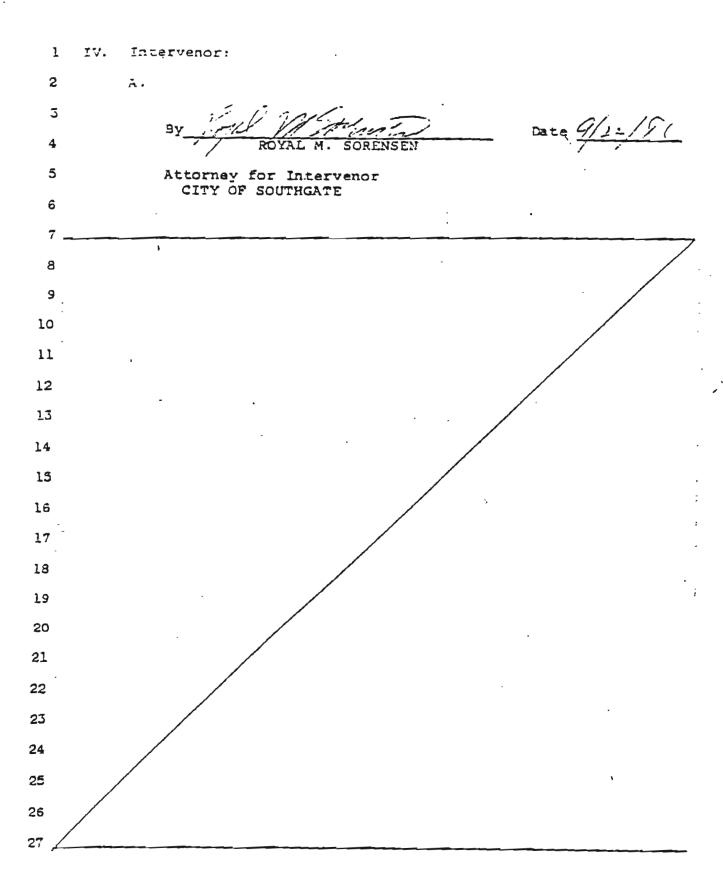
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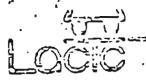
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| 1    | III. | Sta | te of California Defendants:                                    |
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| 2    |      | Α.  | BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY STATE OF CALIFORNIA |
| 4 5  |      |     | By Lynn A. Schenk  LYNN A. SCHENK  Secretary                    |
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| 7    |      | в.  | DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION<br>STATE OF CALIFORNIA             |
| 8    |      |     | By Adriana Gianturco Date 9/31/8                                |
| 10   |      |     | Director, Department of Transportation                          |
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| 12   |      | c.  | DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE OF CALIFORNIA                |
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| 14   |      |     | RICHARD G. RYPINSKI Date 9/22/81                                |
| 15   |      | Ä   | Attorney for Defendant State                                    |
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| 2   | circumstances hereto, IT IS SO ORDERED.  |
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| 6   | HARRY PREGERSON, Judge   |
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LOS ANGRES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION - 3TH SOUTH SPRING STREET - SUITE 1206, LOS ANGRES, CALIFORNIA 90012 - [213] 626-0370

March 29, 1979

JEROME C. PREMIO EXECUTIVE DIRECTICAL

Mr. John R. Phillips
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Dear Mr. Phillips:

I am writing in response to your January 9, 1979 letter requesting the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission to commit future funds available to it for certain transit purposes. This request relates to satisfaction of certain conditions which now preclude work on I-105 from proceeding. Of course, we are sure you recognize that the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission is not a party to the existing court injunction on I-105.

At its March 14, 1979 meeting, the Commission unanimously endorsed the recommendation of its Finance Review Committee, to support programming of transit capital funds for certain station facilities on I-105, and for transit operating costs and service levels for I-105. Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of the March 14 meeting, which references this action. The Commission is authorized to program local funds under Sections 130303(b) and 130306 of the Public Utilities Code. Also attached is a February 5, 1979 letter from Jack R. Gilstrap, Southern California Rapid Transit District General Manager, concurring in the settlement terms as they affect the District.

The Commission is now reviewing the proposed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) of Caltrans for the PY 79/80 through FY 83/84 period, in accordance with the provisions of AB 402. Principal among new construction projects proposed in Los Angeles County during this period is the initiation of actual construction for I-105. The

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Commission's main concern in considering I-105 is in its time schedule for implementation. Obviously, final design, land acquisition and construction cannot proceed until the court injunction is lifted and a final go-ahead is granted. Accordingly, we sincerely hope and urge that remaining issues precluding a court settlement can be resolved promptly, and work can finally proceed.

Please let me know if I can be of further help on this.

Sincerely,

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JACK R. GILSTRAP General Manager February 5, 1979

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Los Angeles County Transportation Commission
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Dear Mr. Premo:

We have reviewed the proposed terms of settlement prepared by the Center for Law in the Public Interest incidental to the legal action against the construction of the Century Freeway.

In calling for a commitment from the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission to provide funds supporting service at a level consistent with projected demand on the facility and surrounding travel corridor, the agreement also provides that the Southern California Rapid Transit District will make a determination of such service levels, with the concurrence of the Commission. Additionally, should it be proposed that the number of stations and/or support facilities presently planned be reduced, it is understood that any such reduction would be subject to DOT, Calmans, LACTC and Southern California Rapid Transit District concurrence after notice and consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel.

Also inherent to the terms of the settlement is the understanding that the Commission and the District will work together to the extent necessary to ensure our awareness and support of the requested local commitments.

The purpose of this letter is to give you the assurance that the Southern California Rapid Transit District sees no problem with the general terms of the proposed semiement as it partains to the level of District service. We look forward to working with the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission on this project and will cooperate with you in every way possible.

Sincerely,

Jack R. Gilstrap

have Mr. Premo as Executive Director, as he has an extremely good rapport with these people and that the Commission should take more advantage of that capability and that the Commission should send him to Washington as often as possible to lobby for the Commission.

# Committee Reports

### Finance Review Committee

Commissioner Tweedt reported on the committee's actions at the March 12 meeting. The following are recommendations from that meeting (EXHIBIT A):

- Authorization for the Executive Director to indicate the Commission's intention to commit funds for the Century Freeway transit capital improvements and operations, in response to a request from the Center for Law in the Public Interest.
- . Approval of Caltrans' request for FY 78-79 Type I TIP for:
  - a. Right-of-way acquisition for Route 91/11.
  - b. A change in the fund category for the Kanan Road.
  - c. Preliminary engineering and environment assessment funding for Santa Ana Freeway and Harbor Freeway transit element.
- Authorization for the Chairman to appoint a Commission member and staff member for the Route 30 Study Advisory Committee.
- Approval of distribution of discretionary funds and fund type within the SCAG region.
- . Approval of the intercounty allocation of UMTA Section 5 bus capital funds, which provides for 86% to Los Angeles County, 12% to Orange County, and 2% to San Bernardino County; it is also recommended that a special committee, similar to the one working on highway matters, be set up to work on bus allocation funding to begin in 1981.

Regarding the Century Freeway, Commissioner Remy asked if our statement of intent to the Center for Law related to a transitway, either bus or rail, as opposed to a variety of other capital improvements that may not be transportation related. Commissioner Tweedt said it would be for transit stations. Commissioner Remy asked about the distribution of discretionary funds on interstate; what about Riverside's major interstate construction project for I-15? The Executive Director said that project was covered under the pre-existing federal acts.

#### AMENDED EXHIBIT B

DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSING PLAN

#### I. INTRODUCTION

This Exhibit sets forth terms and details of the commitments of the State and Federal defendants for the provision of housing as part of the I-105 project in order to replenish the housing stock of communities affected by the freeway and to relocate persons now residing within the right-of-way.

After careful consideration and study of the housing market in the vicinity of the I-105 project, the needs of potential displaces now residing in the corridor, and available Federal and State resources, the parties have agreed that the housing portion of the I-105 project will consist of the following three major elements:

a. The State defendants (as used hereinafter in Exhibit B, "State defendants" shall mean the State of California, acting by and through the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) or its successor as may be designated pursuant to this Decree) will provide, through rehabilitation or new construction, 1,025 units of housing pursuant to approvals given by the Federal Highway Administration prior to August 25, 1981. These units will be made available to eligible purchasers or renters in accordance with paragraphs A, B, C, and D of Section IV of this Exhibit. Federal funds for provision

of said housing shall be provided for under appropriate expedited procedures to be approved by FHWA.

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The State defendants will, at the earliest possible date, construct or rehabilitate with Federal . participation not fewer than 1,175 units to meet the housing needs of corridor residents eligible for benefits under the Relocation Act. These 1,175 units represent the parties' estimate of "last resort housing" requirements of the remaining eligible residents on the I-105 right-of-way. Residents displaced from the corridor will be afforded an opportunity to acquire or rent these units of housing pursuant to the last resort housing provisions of the Uniform Relocation Act. Those units not accepted by corridor displacees will be made available in accordance with paragraphs A, B, C, and D of Section IV of this Exhibit. Displacees not electing to accept these units will be relocated under the Uniform Relocation Act procedures. Federal funds for provision of said housing shall be provided for under appropriate expedited procedures to be approved by FHWA.

c. The Federal defendants will authorize,
pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 106, Federal participation in the
amount of \$110 million for the provision of housing units
by the State defendants who will produce the maximum
number of housing units which can be obtained with these
funds under expedited procedures to be approved by the
Federal Highway Administration. Expenditure of these

funds will be subject to a final federal audit for consistency with the approved procedures as well as management effectiveness. One year following the execution of the commitment under 23 U.S.C. 106 referred to above, the Federal Highway Administration will provide a supplemental authorization for the construction of housing in a sum to be computed by multiplying the then unexpended portion of the \$110 million times the percent change in the construction cost index of new one-family houses. The Boeckh Residential Cost Index as published in Construction Review compiled by Bureau of Industrial Economics, United States Department of Commerce, shall serve as the cost index. The Federal Highway Administration will not execute any additional supplemental authorizations calculated in this manner unless a clear and convincing showing is made by the State defendants and approved by the Federal Highway Administration that the housing was not constructed due to circumstances beyond the control of the State defendants. On petition of any party, the court may review the PHWA decision in order to determine whether its refusal to provide any additional or supplemental authorizations was reasonable. will be made available in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs A, B, C, and D of Section IV of this Exhibit. Any funds received by the State defendants in

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the course of disposing of these units shall be used for the construction of additional low- and moderate-income housing but not subject to the inflation factor.

#### II. STAGING AND REVIEW

#### A. Introduction.

It is the intent of the parties to allow the freeway project to begin before any housing is actually relocated or replaced and available for occupancy. In order to allow freeway construction to immediately proceed and assure that at the end of the project all housing provided hereunder will be available, the following Staging Plan is established. Because unforeseen problems with the housing program are a possibility, a Review Plan is established which would allow for modification of the timing and scope of the delivery of the housing program.

#### B. Staging Plan.

The parties agree that with respect to both the highway and housing portions of this project, time is of the essence. The freeway project shall be phased so that a given percentage of housing units will be available for occupancy when a given percentage of the freeway construction contracts are awarded.

The freeway construction contract percentage figure shall be expressed as the relationship between the dollar value of awarded contracts at a given time, to the total estimated freeway construction cost in constant

dollars. The housing percentage figure shall be expressed as the relationship of housing units available for occupancy to 3,700. Said phasing schedule shall be:

- 1. Phase 1. Twenty-five percent of the freeway construction contracts may be awarded prior to any housing being made available;
- 2. Phase 2. When 50% of the freeway construction contracts have been awarded, at least 30% of the housing units shall be available for occupancy;
- 3. Phase 3. When 75% of the freeway construction contracts have been awarded, at least 60% of the housing shall be available for occupancy; and
- 4. Phase 4. At the time that freeway construction is complete, all of the remaining housing units shall be under construction contract.

#### C. Review Plan.

At any time after 2,000 units of housing are in place or after 75 percent of the freeway construction contracts have been awarded, whichever comes first, a review of the housing program may, at the petition of Caltrans or Federal defendants, be conducted by this court.

The purpose of such review should it be sought will be to assess, in light of the experience acquired in

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the implementation of the first phase of the housing program, whether the timing and scope of the housing program, as outlined by this Amended Decree, remain a realistic, reasonably achievable goal.

If such review be sought, the court shall examine whether housing can be made available within the time period reasonably consistent with the phasing program herein. The parties now anticipate that the Housing Plan can be implemented, according to the schedule proposed in this Amended Decree, reasonably concurrent with the construction of the freeway without resulting in undue delays, unreasonable project costs, or excessive impacts on existing communities and their infrastructure. All parties recognize, however, that some additional delay and expense will occur due to the housing program and that acceptance of such delay and expense is among the elements of settlement.

In making its determination regarding the progress of the housing program, the court applying appropriate judicial standards shall consider the following:

- The extent to which implementation of the housing program has resulted in undue delay in construction of the freeway;
- 2. The term "undue delay" as used herein is defined to mean delay which:
  - a. adds significantly to the cost of the freeway project over and above the cost that

would have been incurred had the project 1 proceeded according to the original project schedule; 3

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- b. adds significantly to the estimated time of completion of the freeway project;
- results in or probably will result in a suspension of work on the freeway project by freeway contractors or creates conditions or circumstances such that it would be impracticable or impossible for the freeway contractor to proceed with the "current controlling operation of the work" or which otherwise would subject the state to a claim by the freeway contractor for interference, hindrance, or delay. The phrase "current controlling operation of the work" means that work or operation being performed by the contractor which, if delayed, will delay the time of completion of the contract (Standard Specifications 8-1.06, State of California, Department of Transportation, January 1978);
- The ability of communities to which housing has been and is anticipated to be relocated pursuant to the housing program to absorb such housing without unforeseen and excessive adverse impacts on their infrastructure, such as schools, sewers and public services;

4. The necessity for, and availability of, federal, state or local government housing subsidy programs to make possible the operation and maintenance of relocated housing units at the income levels described herein once such units are ready for occupancy;

- 5. The effectiveness of the housing program as evidenced by the substantial occupancy of the units by eligible purchaser/occupant categories;
- 6. Any other factors which the court deems pertinent to its examination.

The court, after a duly noticed hearing upon the petition of Caltrans or the Federal defendants, shall determine, using the above criteria, whether good cause exists for:

- l. Amendment of the Consent Decree to allow freeway completion and operation to occur prior to completion of the housing program; or
- Program including timing and scope which the court finds to be reasonable under the circumstances.

  If such cause is found to exist, the court may make such adjustments as it finds reasonable. In determining what remedy may be appropriate, the parties intend that a strong preference be given to extending the time period for construction or rehabilitation of housing units rather than reducing the number to be provided.

#### III. STRUCTURE FOR PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### A. General Organization Structure.

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An organizational structure shall be established to plan and implement the housing program which shall include participation by a Project Director and staff, Caltrans, California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), a Housing Advisory Committee (HAC) with a Steering Committee, and federal agencies as appropriate.

HCD shall be the lead agency responsible for the coordination and the implementation of the Housing Plan. Caltrans and any other public or private agencies may enter into contracts with HCD for support services. If the Secretary and plaintiffs, upon consultation with Federal defendants, jointly determine that the lead agency has not performed adequately in implementing the Housing Program, the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing with the concurrence of the plaintiffs may redelegate the lead agency function.

#### B. Project Director and Staff.

The Project Director shall be selected by the Director of HCD. The Project Director shall prepare a proposed operational staffing budget in accordance with state budgeting procedures which sets forth the number of positions and compensation for each. This budget must be approved by the Director of HCD. This budget may be revised as needs of the program change. The budget shall include funds for HCD operating costs and administrative costs. Caltrans shall provide HCD with advances on this

as requested by HCD as may be provided in any service contract referred to in Paragraph III. A. above.

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Once this internal operating budget is approved, the Project Director in hiring staff shall: (1) require a minimum level of experience in the housing field, (2) make every effort to hire people familiar with the local housing conditions, and (3) consult with the Steering Committee (hereinafter defined) in making staffing decisions. The final decision, however, regarding the recommendations to be made to the Director of HCD for the hiring of individual staff members shall be made by the Project Director.

The Project Director shall:

- 1. Establish an office in the I-105 Corridor area;
- 2. Acquire sites for replacement housing beginning concurrent with the commencement of planning;
- 3. Prepare a Housing Plan to be submitted to HAC in accordance with section III D;
- 4. Prepare a work program in development of the Housing Plan and submit it to the Steering Committee for review and comments;
- 5. Assist the HAC in the performance of its functions:
- 6. Solicit bids, select subcontractors and let contracts for work to be performed by

outside consultants and contractors; monitor work performance of outside consultants or contractors.

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The Project Director shall take an inventory of all available sites in the Corridor area suitable for move-on housing. There shall be three distinct zones: primary, secondary, and tertiary. The primary zone approximates an area within six miles on each side of the I-105 right-of-way; the secondary zone extends an additional six miles; and the tertiary zone yet another six miles. The Housing Plan as developed and presented by the Project Director will attempt to place as many replacement units as possible in the primary zone; if suitable sites are unavailable, the remainder should be placed in the secondary zone; if suitable sites still remain, the units may be proposed for siting in the tertiary zone. If there are still insufficient sites available in all three zones, the Project Director may provide for relocation beyond the identified zones but in each instance must attempt to locate the structures as close to the Corridor area as possible and reasonable. Housing Advisory Committee.

A Housing Advisory Committee shall be established to consult with and provide assistance through the Project Director and staff. Total membership shall be limited to sixty (60) committee members. It shall have certain specified responsibilities as more fully set out below in reviewing the Housing Plan and Budget. The

Housing Advisory Committee is not an agency of the federal government for any purpose.

The Director of HCD shall invite all appropriate regional and local planning bodies, housing agencies, and jurisdictions affected by the freeway to serve voluntarily on the HAC. Representatives of these official entities, however, shall at no time consist of more than 55% of the entire committee membership. No more than thirty-three (33) representatives of official entities shall be selected. There shall be at least one representative from Los Angeles County and each of the cities abutting upon the right-of-way of the I-105 Freeway. The balance of the representatives of official entities shall be chosen from jurisdictions located in the three housing replacement zones described herein at page 11, lines 6-10.

Plaintiffs and HCD shall jointly select the remaining twenty-seven (27) members of the HAC from organizations that have an interest in housing, citizen representatives, and persons who have been or will be displaced by the freeway.

HCD will pay the nonpublic official representatives a per diem of \$60.00 per meeting. To be entitled to said per diem attendance for more than two-thirds of any meeting is required. Said per diem shall be to cover all expenses, including but not limited to travel and child care in the Los Angeles area. This

per diem may be increased over the life of the project by 1 HCD to match increases in the cost of living index. 2 more than one increase shall be made in any calendar year. Except as supplemented by this Decree, the 5 duties and responsibilities of the HAC shall be the same as those provided in 23 CFR section 740.118(d) and 25 7 California Administrative Code section 6124. 8 There shall be a Steering Committee of HAC 9 which shall be comprised of the following seven 10 members: 11 One representative of the City of Los 12 Angeles selected by the Mayor of Los Angeles; 13 One representative of the County of 14 Los Angeles selected by the Chairman of the Board of 15 Supervisors of Los Angeles County; 16 17 One representative of the Southern California Association of Governments as selected by 18 that body; 19 4. One representative of the corridor 20 cities other than the City of Los Angeles as selected 21 by those members of the HAC who represent those 22 corridor cities; 23 5. One representative of the displacees 24 to be selected by the plaintiffs or the plaintiffs' 25 successor in interest: 26 Two representatives of community 27

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groups, drawn from the membership of HAC and selected

by the HAC members who do not represent public entities or jurisdictions.

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The Steering Committee in consultation with the full Housing Advisory Committee shall:

- 1. Be consulted by the Project Director regarding staffing decisions and work program;
- 2. Review and recommend that the HAC approve or amend and approve (subject to further approval by the designated state officials as described below) the Housing Plan and its Budget;
- 3. Hold public hearings. In carrying out its review and approval responsibilities, the Steering Committee together with the HAC shall hold public hearings and review comments from any interested member of the public prior to making its decision.

The following quorum requirements shall be met by the HAC for any vote that calls for approval of the Housing Budget and/or Housing Plan: at the time the vote is taken, at least two-thirds of the membership shall be present and of those present, a number equal to 45% less two persons must be individuals who are not representatives of public entities or jurisdictions; if no quorum is present and if a vote on either the Housing Plan or Budget has been reasonably noticed and if six of the seven members of the Steering Committee are present, the Steering Committee shall be empowered to act for the entire HAC.

## D. Time Limit for HAC to Approve the Housing Plan and Program Budget.

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Prior to the presentation of the proposed Housing Plan and Program Budget, the Project Director shall meet regularly with the Steering Committee and HAC to present progress reports on the staff's development of the proposed Housing Plan and Budget and to receive any comments from members of the Steering Committee and HAC. The Steering Committee shall conduct public hearings and the full HAC shall approve the Plan and Budget either as presented by the Project Director or as amended by the HAC no later than 90 days after the Project Director submits it to the HAC. This period may be extended upon the written permission of the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing. If the HAC fails to approve the Housing Plan and Budget by majority vote as presented or amended within the time period, the Plan and Budget shall be deemed approved.

# E. Approval of the Housing Plan, Budget and Scheduling Decisions by State and Federal Officials.

The Housing Plan and Program Budget approved by the HAC shall be reviewed and approved by the Director of HCD who shall have the authority to modify it as he or she deems appropriate. HCD must approve the Housing Plan and Program Budget submitted to it or approve it with HCD modifications no later than 60 days after the HAC submits the Housing Plan to HCD, all in accordance with state budgeting procedures.

HCD must submit the Plan and Program Budget to
the HAC for review and comments if HCD has made any
modifications to the Plan as HAC approved it; such
modifications must be accompanied by detailed
explanations.

HAC will then have 30 days to review the Housing Plan and Program Budget. If at the end of 30 days, HAC has irresolvable differences with HCD over provisions of the Housing Plan or Program Budget, it may refer such differences to the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing for resolution. The Secretary must resolve such conflicts within 30 days after they are submitted to him/her in writing. The Plan, as approved by the Secretary, shall be the adopted Housing Plan.

Should HCD or HAC fail to take action within the applicable time limit, it shall be deemed to have approved or concurred in the Housing Plan submitted to it. When the Housing Plan has been approved HCD shall thereupon submit the plan to Federal Highway Administration for concurrence.

#### 21 IV. HOUSING PLAN

This section sets out certain basic parameters to be followed by the Project Director and HCD in preparing the Housing Plan. These parameters are intended to be minimum standards only; the Plan may develop more comprehensive or creative methods of implementing the basic requirements enunciated herein.

This section of the Exhibit specifies the general

2 categories of persons and households who may purchase or rent

3 housing units developed under the Housing Plan. It also

4 delineates the financial responsibilities of Federal and State

5 defendants and suggests some methods by which these responsi-

6 bilities could be implemented. It also sets some standards for

7 the use of excess property acquired for use as freeway

8 right-of-way but not used for that purpose.

9 The Federal and State defendants are responsible for

10 the development, funding, and implementation of the Housing

11 Plan described herein. However, once the Plan is fully carried

12 out and the housing units developed are made available accord-

13 ing to the terms of the Plan and this Decree, neither Federal

14 nor State defendants (except, in the case of State defendants,

15 to administer resale controls) shall have any further financial.

16 or administrative responsibilities as to those units.

17 A. Categories of Eligible Purchasers/Occupants.

18 l. Displacee purchase: To satisfy the last

19 resort housing obligations of State and Federal defendants

20 under the Uniform Relocation Act, 42 U.S.C.A. section 4601

21 et seq., any person eligible for benefits under the

Uniform Relocation Act displaced by the freeway after the

date of the Final Consent Decree (October 11, 1979),

24 wishing to acquire a unit of housing developed under the

Housing Plan pursuant to Uniform Relocation Act procedures

26 may do so. No deed restrictions referred to in

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- this Decree shall apply to a unit purchased at fair market value, and no legal or equitable title shall remain in Federal or State defendants after such a sale.
  - I-105 freeway has had a severe deleterious effect on the supply of low-income housing within the freeway corridor and surrounding communities. To mitigate that effect, and to preserve the existing stock of low- and moderate-income housing, the Housing Plan shall make available all units not purchased by displacees at fair market value as low- and moderate-income housing. The Plan will utilize whatever methods are useful and appropriate to make this housing available at affordable prices. The term "affordable" as used throughout this section has the meaning given in Paragraph IV. C., below. The housing units shall be made available to members of various income groups as specified in Paragraph IV. C., below.

### B. Funding and Financing of the Housing Program.

1. Defendants shall provide funds for, and/or financing of, all costs associated with the development and implementation of the housing program. These costs include, but are not limited to: planning, site acquisition and preparation, moving of units, rehabilitation, site landscaping, incidental expenses, and administrative costs. All such costs shall be considered project costs and shall be apportioned as such. All reasonable and

proper expenditures necessary to complete this work to those standards specified in the memorandum of understanding pursuant to Paragraph IV. G., shall be approved as provided in the Service Agreement referred to in Paragraph III. A., herein. Caltrans shall seek reimbursement from Federal defendants for all project costs, and shall itself pay all ineligible costs including but not limited to housing project administration costs and overhead. HCD shall participate in all meetings and discussions with FHWA or other state agencies regarding the Internal Operating Budget or Housing Program Budget. The final budgets shall be approved by FHWA. HCD shall consult with and obtain prior written Caltrans concurrence that proposed project expenditures are federally reimbursable. HCD shall obtain prior written Caltrans concurrence for any nonreimbursable expenditure as a condition to participation by Caltrans in project costs. HCD may deal directly with the Federal defendants in any activity necessary for the implementation of the housing program. Any dispute, between HCD and Caltrans, regarding the withholding of concurrence shall be resolved by the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing.

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2. Title to all units shall pass to entities or persons other than the State and Federal defendants as hereinafter described. Legal or equitable title shall not remain with defendants after completion of the Housing Program.

- of ownership and/or rental sponsorship of all units
  developed. Ownership arrangements may include ownership
  by occupants, cooperative associations, ownership of homes
  by occupants with land leases held by public or nonpublic
  entities, lease with purchase options, and tenancy-incommon arrangements. Rental sponsors may include
  nonprofit organizations, partnerships between nonprofits
  and private developers/syndicators, public agencies,
  housing authorities, and investors.
  - and resale controls for units developed through this program to assure that all ownership units purchased at less than fair market value and all rental units shall remain affordable by persons at the designated low- and moderate-income levels. All these units shall have deed or lease restrictions placed upon them which limit resales in such a way that the inventory of low-cost housing is maintained for a maximum of 59 years wherever feasible, and in no event, less than 20 years.
- 21 C. Distribution of and Eligibility for Units.
- 22 1. Distribution: All units shall be made 23 affordable according to the following distribution 24 schedule:
- 25 a. At least 5% of all units shall be affordable to very very low-income households;

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| 1    | b. At least 25% of all units shall be                 |
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| 2    | affordable to very low-income households;             |
| 3    | c. At least 25% of all units shall be                 |
| 4    | affordable to low-income households;                  |
| 5    | d. At least 25% of all units shall be                 |
| 6    | affordable to moderate-income households;             |
| 7    | e. All other units shall be made                      |
| 8    | affordable to households in the income categories     |
| 9    | above in such a way as to best meet the needs of the  |
| 10   | affected communities and displaced persons.           |
| 11   | 2. Definitions:                                       |
| 12   | a. Very very low-income: Households                   |
| 13   | whose incomes do not exceed 25% of the median income  |
| 14   | for the L.A. Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area   |
| 15 : | (SMSA) as adjusted for household size;                |
| 16   | b. Very low income: Households whose                  |
| 17   | incomes are greater than 25%, but not more than 50%   |
| 18   | of the median income for the LA SMSA as adjusted for  |
| 19   | household size;                                       |
| 20   | c. Low income: Households whose incomes               |
| 21   | are greater than 50%, but not more than 80%, of the   |
| 22   | median income for the LA SMSA as adjusted for         |
| 23   | household size;                                       |
| 24   | d. Moderate income: Households whose                  |
| 25   | incomes are greater than 80%, but not more than 120%, |
| 26   | of the median income for the LA SMSA as adjusted for  |
| 27   | household size;                                       |

e. Affordability: Replacement dwellings shall be considered affordable to households as follows: For single family units, a replacement unit is affordable when the household will pay no more than 35% of its adjusted income for principal, taxes, interest, insurance, utilities and maintenance. For rental units, a replacement unit is affordable when the household will pay no more than 25% of its adjusted income for rent and utilities. Income is adjusted by deducting \$300 per minor child from net income.

- 3. Priority for eligibility to purchase units: Except those units purchased by persons eligible for benefits under the Uniform Relocation Act pursuant to Paragraph IV. A. 1., above, units initially available for occupancy shall be offered to households for sale on the following priority basis:
  - less than 120% of the median who are displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree. For the purposes of this Amended Decree, the term "persons displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree" shall include persons who have resided in property acquired for construction of the project for more than 180 days prior to the date (October 11, 1979) of the Final Consent Decree and who are displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree. Such persons

shall have first priority to purchase any unit which is designated for the income group for which they qualify at an affordable price subject to the deed restrictions as specified in Paragraph IV. B. 4.

- b. Second priority: Households on housing authority waiting lists whose incomes fall within the target populations.
- c. Third priority: Households whose incomes fall within the target populations.
- 4. Priority for eligibility to rent units:
  Units initially available for occupancy shall be offered
  to households for rent on the following priority basis:
  - a. First priority: Persons with incomes less than 120% of the median who are displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree. For the purposes of this Amended Decree, the term "persons displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree" shall include persons who have resided in property acquired for construction of the project for more than 180 days prior to the date (October 11, 1979) of the Final Consent Decree and who are displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree. Such persons shall have first priority to rent any unit which is designated for the income group for which they qualify.
  - b. Second priority: All other persons with incomes less than 120% of the median who are

displaced after the date of the Final Consent Decree (October 11, 1979) and who have commenced occupancy of the acquired dwelling prior to January 1, 1982.

- c. Third priority: Households on housing authority waiting lists whose incomes fall within the target populations.
- d. Fourth priority: Households whose incomes fall within the target populations.

#### D. Financing.

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- State defendants to make a unit available at an affordable price shall in no case extend beyond the costs of implementing the Housing Program as set forth in Paragraph IV. B. 1. Permanent financing for all units shall be obtained by occupants or sponsors of housing as defined in Paragraph IV. B. 3. Upon transfer of title of units developed, defendants shall receive a sum equal to no more than that purchase price which is necessary to make units affordable with conventional financing. Where necessary to achieve or approach affordable housing payments, title may be transferred at a cost of \$1.00.
- 2. Pederal "Section 8" housing funds or its successor program may be used to make units affordable at income levels specified above by subsidizing that portion of operating costs which cannot be paid for by tenant's affordable rents or co-op carrying charges, when units have been deeded to sponsors at a cost of \$1.00.

afforded right-of-first-refusal on purchase of excess 1 property which they occupy. Relocation assistance 2 payments may be used for purchase of such property. 3 4 All units shall be made available at a price that is within the financial means of the person, as defined above. 6 Suitability for Relocation 3. The State defendants will determine which 8 9 housing units remaining on the I-105 right-of-way . 10 will be used for relocation and rehabilitation. 11 Dwelling units which will not be used will be 12 disposed of on the following basis: 13 Made available without 14 competitive bidding on a single simultaneous 15 offering with awards to be made on the following 16 priority basis: 17 (i) To any public or nonprofit 18 agency for housing for low- and moderate-19 income households. Such agencies must give 20 displacees highest priority for occupancy; 21 (ii) To any private offeror 22 guaranteeing that such housing will be 23 relocated within the affected areas; 24 If no purchaser in class (i) or 25 (ii) above is available, the State may elect to 26

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demolish the unit or to dispose of it on the open market. In no event shall the State's election be made later than six months following the publication of the offer.

c. Any funds received through disposal of units from within the right-of-way will be credited to Federal funds for I-105.

#### G. Standards and Specifications.

HCD and Caltrans shall, prior to completion of the Housing Plan, enter into a memorandum of understanding which shall set forth prototype specifications for rehabilitation. All units shall be rehabilitated or constructed to standards equal to or greater than those in the local jurisdictions and which may comply with HUD minimum property standards for rehabilitation.

Specifications may exceed HUD minimum property standards for rehabilitation where it is determined that the long term benefits of such standards will outweigh any additional costs involved. The memorandum of understanding shall be amended to include prototype specifications for new construction whenever in the planning process a determination is made that new construction will be undertaken.

#### H. Relocation Assistance Payments.

 As part of the cost of facilitating implementation of the housing plan described herein, and

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in view of the hardships and uncertainty caused by delays in development of the I-105 project, current tenants of dwelling units in the I-105 right-of-way who moved into their dwelling units after they were acquired by Caltrans, and who have occupied such units for 180 days or more, shall be eligible to receive their reasonable moving expenses as determined by the existing approved moving cost schedule, including a dislocation allowance.

- 2. Displaced persons choosing to occupy one of the dwelling units provided by the Housing Plan described herein shall not be eligible to receive replacement housing payments, except where such payments are necessary to make such dwelling units affordable to the person, as specified in Paragraph IV. D. Where a displacee is not financially able to occupy one of such dwelling units, the relocation assistance payment shall be provided on the same basis as if the unit were available through the private market, and shall make up the difference between the rent of such dwelling unit and the person's ability to pay.
- 3. Occupancy of one of the dwelling units provided by the Plan described herein shall not diminish the eligibility of a displacee for moving payments.

#### I. Conformity with Local Law.

Said replacement units shall be relocated or constructed so as to be in conformity with applicable

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zoning, subdivision and building code laws. This provision is not intended to change the practices followed under current law. 19 : **23** <sup>†</sup> 

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EMPLOYMENT ACTION PLAN

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IT IS HERERY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between plaintiffs and defendants State Department of Transportation, Federal Department of Transportation and intervening Cities, by their respective counsel, to approve certain amendments to the Employment Action Plan, Exhibit C to the Consent Decree in the above-captioned matter, and to file an Amended Employ-

This stipulation is entered into and the Court's order approving same is respectfully requested pursuant to Section VI of the Consent Decree which sets forth procedures for amending the Decree. Since there are no objections by the

this Stipulation and Order. The modifications to the Employment Plan are made pursuant to Section V of the unamended Employment Action Plan which provided that the parties would meet to negotiate appropriate changes to the Plan upon promulgation by the U.S. Department of Transportation of final federal regulations regarding 8 participation of minority business enterprises in federal programs. 9 Piled concurrently with this Stipulation and Order are the Amended Employment Action Plan and Memorandum Explaining 10 11 Modifications to the Employment Action Plan. Attached to the 12 Memorandum is an interlineated version of the Plan showing both 13 old and new language. 14 15 RICHARD G. RYPINSKI Dated: JOSEPH A. MONTOYA 16 RALPH LIVINGSTONE 17 18 By 19 Attorneys for State Defendants 20 21 22 Dated: ANDREA S. ORDIN MICHAEL E. MOLFSON 23 24 25 Attorneys for Federal Defendants 25 27 ///

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parties to these amendments, the parties agree to file them by

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#### EXHIBIT C

#### AMENDED EMPLOYMENT ACTION PLAN

#### I. INTRODUCTION

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This Exhibit sets forth an employment and business plan of affirmative action for the benefit of the corridor communities, women, and minority group members. This plan shall apply to all projects covered by this Decree including the Housing Plan outlined in Exhibit B. References following some provisions herein are from the Federal Register, Vol. 45 No. 63, pages 21184 et seq., March 31, 1980, Participation by Minority Business Enterprise in Department of Transportation Programs, to be codified at 49 C.F.R., Part 23.

The provisions of this plan have been agreed to by the parties and represent obligations distinct from those that are set forth in state and federal law. In the event that regulations referred to herein are changed, this Plan will remain in effect as presently drafted; however, any party may move to modify the Plan in accordance with procedures set forth in the Consent Decree.

As used in this Exhibit, "Minority" means a person who is a citizen or lawful resident of the United States and who is:

- 1. Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa);
- 2. Hispanic (a person of Spanish or Portuguese culture with origins in Mexico, South or Central America or the Caribbean Islands, regardless of race);

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 3. Asian American (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); or

- 4. American Indian and Alaskan Native (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America).
- 5. Members of other groups, or other individuals, found to be economically and socially disadvantaged by the Small Business Administration under section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, as amended (15 U.S.C. 637(a)).

#### II. BID SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

Above and beyond the "Equal Opportunity" and "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Contract Specifications" requirements set forth for all federally funded Caltrans projects, all Bid Specification Documents prepared in connection with the projects described in this Decree shall include the following elements among the enumerated responsiveness criteria:

### A. Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Goals

- l. A "Minority business enterprise" or "MBE"
  means a small business concern, as defined pursuant to
  section 3 of the Small Business Act and implementing
  regulations, which is owned and controlled by one or more
  minorities or women. Owned and controlled means a business:
  - a. Which is at least 51% owned by one or more minorities or women; or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of

which is owned by one or more minorities or women; and

b. Whose management and daily business

operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.

- 2. The goals for the dollar value of work to be awarded to MREs for each project shall be determined in accordance with the procedures set forth in regulations at 45 Federal Register 21184 (to be codified at 49 C.F.R. Part 23,) section 23.45(g), with the following exceptions:
  - a. In light of the specific characteristics of the I-105 corridor, notably the high degree of unemployment among its residents and the large percentage of minority groups within the overall corridor population, concerning the factors to be considered in setting the MBE goals, strong emphasis shall be given to the population of the minority groups within the area. Relatively little weight shall be given to Caltrans' past results in their efforts to contract with MBEs since the MBE program is of relatively recent origin.
  - b. The Century Freeway Affirmative Action

    Committee (see infra) shall have an opportunity to

    review the factors to be considered in setting the

    goals and shall participate in the setting of MBE

    goals. In the event that the Committee concludes that

    the overall goals set by Caltrans are inadequate, they

    may petition the Director of Caltrans. The Director

    shall hear the basis for the Committee's conclusions

and review the adequacy of the goals. The Director may change said MBE goals, and the Director's decision shall be final.

- 3. Affirmative action techniques shall be developed and undertaken by the Caltrans Civil Rights Division with the assistance of the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee to facilitate MBE participation in contracting activities. These techniques include:
  - a. Arranging solicitations, time for the presentation of bids, quantities, specification, delivery schedules so as to facilitate participation by MBEs;
  - b. Providing assistance to NBEs in overcoming barriers such as inability to obtain bonding, financing, and technical assistance;
  - c. Carrying out information and communication programs on contracting procedures and specific contracting opportunities in a timely manner, with such programs being bilingual where appropriate.
- 4. Caltrans Civil Rights Division and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee shall thoroughly investigate the full extent of services offered by banks owned and controlled by minorities or women in their community and determine the most feasible area in which to utilize the services of these banks.

prime contractors shall also be encouraged to utilize the services of banks owned and controlled by minorities or women.

- 5. Caltrans shall make available to bidders a directory or source list to facilitate identifying MBEs with capabilities relevant to general contracting requirements and to particular solicitations. It shall specify which firms the Department of Transportation, Caltrans, or the Small Business Administration has determined to be eligible MBEs in accordance with procedures set forth herein and at 45 Fed. Reg. 21185, subpart c.
- 6. Procedures to ascertain the eligibility of MBEs and joint ventures involving MBEs include the following:
  - a. To ensure that its MBE program benefits only firms owned and controlled by minorities or women, Caltrans shall certify the eligibility of MBEs and joint ventures involving MBEs that are named by the competitors. Caltrans may, at its own discretion, accept certifications made by other DOT recipients.
  - b. Caltrans, Division of Civil Rights, shall seek the advice of, and consult with, the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee in the MBE certification process.
- 7. Procedures to require that participating MBEs are identified by name by competitors for contracts are as follows: Caltrans shall indicate, in solicitations for DOT-assisted contracts that provide opportunities for MBE participation, goals for the use of firms owned and controlled by minorities and firms owned and controlled by women. Solicitations shall require all bidders/proposers to submit a written assurance of meeting the goals in their

bids or proposals. Within a reasonable time after the opening of bids and before the award of the contract, Caltrans shall require all bidders or proposers wishing to remain in competition for the contract to submit the names of MBE subcontractors and suppliers, a description of the work each is to perform, and the dollar value of each proposed MBE subcontract. Caltrans shall set the time at which bidders and proposers are required to submit this information and inform bidders and proposers of this time in the solicitation. Agreements between a bidder/proposer and an MBE in which the MBE promises not to provide subcontracting quotations to other bidders/proposers are prohibited.

- 8. MBE participation shall be counted toward meeting MBE goals set in accordance with federal regulations 45 Fed. Reg. 21187, § 23.47, and this Plan as follows:
  - a. Once a firm is determined to be an eligible MBE in accordance with this subpart, the total dollar value of the contract awarded to the MBE is counted toward the applicable MBE goals.
  - b. The total dollar value of a contract to an MBE owned and controlled by both minority males and non-minority females is counted toward the goals for minorities and women respectively, in proportion to the percentage of ownership and control of each group in the business. The total dollar value of a contract with an MBE owned and controlled by minority women is counted toward either the

minority goal or the goal for women, but not to both.

The contractor employing the firm or Caltrans may
choose the goal to which the contract value is
applied.

- c. Caltrans or a contractor may count toward its MBE goals a portion of the total dollar value of a contract with a joint venture eligible under the standards of this subpart equal to the percentage of the ownership and controls of the MBE partner in the joint venture.
  - d. (1) Caltrans or a contractor may count toward its MBE goals only expenditures to MBEs that perform a commercially useful function in the work of a contract. An MBE is considered to perform a commercially useful function when it is responsible for execution of a distinct element of the work of a contract and carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To determine whether an MBE is performing a commercially useful function, Caltrans or the contractor shall evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, and other relevant factors.
  - (2) Consistent with normal industry practices, an MBE may enter into subcontracts.

    If an MBE contractor subcontracts a significantly greater portion of the work of the contract than

would be expected on the basis of normal industry practices, the MBE shall be presumed not to be performing a commercially useful function. The MBE may present evidence to rebut this presumption to Caltrans. Caltrans' decision on the rebuttal of this presumption is subject to review by the Department of Transportation.

- e. Caltrans or a contractor may count toward its MBE goals expenditures for materials and supplies obtained from MBE suppliers and manufacturers, provided that the MBEs assure the actual and contracted responsibility for the provision of the materials and supplies.
  - (1) Caltrans or a contractor may count its entire expenditure to an MBE manufacturer (i.e., a supplier that produces goods from raw materials or substantially alters them before resale).
  - (2) Caltrans or a contractor may count 20% of its expenditures to MBE suppliers that are not manufacturers, provided that the MBE supplier performs a commercially useful function in the supply process.
- 9. On each contract awarded under this subsection, prime bidders shall make a good faith effort to use at least five MBEs. Each contract shall be of a minimum dollar amount to be determined by the Caltrans Civil Rights Division and the Century Freeway Affirmative

Action Committee (CFAAC). This provision may be waived on individual contracts upon the mutual agreement of the Caltrans Civil Rights Division and CFAAC.

- 10. Selection criteria to ensure that prime contracts are awarded to competitors that meet MBE goals include the following:
  - a. If any competitor offering a reasonable price meets the MBE contract goal, Caltrans shall presume conclusively that all competitors that failed to meet the goal have failed to exert sufficient reasonable efforts and consequently are ineligible to be awarded the contract.
  - To implement this presumption, Caltrans shall determine whether the competitor offering the lowest price of firms meeting the MBE contract goal has offered a reasonable price for the contract. If Caltrans determines that this competitor has offered a reasonable price Caltrans shall award the contract to the firm. If Caltrans determines that this competitor's price is not reasonable, it shall consider next the price offered by the competitor with the highest percentage of MBE participation of those firms that failed to meet the goal . If Caltrans determines that this price is reasonable it shall award the contract to this competitor. If Caltrans determines that this price is not reasonable, Caltrans shall consider the other competitors that failed to meet the goal in order of their percentage of MBE partici-

pation until it selects one with a reasonable price.

If Caltrans determines that no competitor with MBE participation has offered a reasonable price Caltrans may award the contract to any competitor that demonstrates that it has made sufficient reasonable efforts to meet the MBE contract goal.

- c. To decide whether a price offered by a competitor is reasonable, Caltrans shall use the same criteria that it would use to determine whether, if the competitor had made the only offer to perform the contract, Caltrans would award the contract.
- d. To demonstrate sufficient reasonable efforts to meet the MBE contract goal, a contractor shall document the steps it has taken to obtain MBE participation, including but not limited to the following:
  - (i) Attendance at a pra-bid meeting, if any, scheduled by Caltrans to inform MBEs of subcontracting opportunities under a given solicitation;
  - (ii) Advertisement in general circulation media, trade association publications, and minority-focus media, for at least 20 days before bids or proposals are due. If 20 days are not available, publication for a shorter reasonable time is acceptable;
  - (iii) Written notification to MBEs that their interest in the contract is solicited;

- (iv) Efforts made to select portions of the work proposed to be performed by MBEs in order to increase the likelihood of achieving the stated goal;
- (v) Efforts made to negotiate with MBEs for specific subbids including at a minimum:
  - (a) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBEs that were contacted;
  - (b) A description of the information provided to MBEs regarding the plans and specifications for portions of the work to be performed; and
  - (c) A statement of why additional agreements with MBEs were not reached;
- (vi) Efforts made to assist the MBEs contacted that needed assistance in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the competitor or Caltrans;
- (vii) Concerning each MBE the competitor contacted but rejected as unqualified, the reasons for the bidder's conclusions.
- e. Competitors that fail to meet MBE goals and fail to demonstrate sufficient reasonable efforts shall not be eligible to be awarded the contract.
- f. To ensure that all obligations under contracts awarded to MBEs are met, Caltrans shall

review the contractor's MBE involvement efforts during the performance of the contract. The contractor shall bring to the attention of Caltrans any situation in which regularly scheduled progress payments are not made to MBE subcontractors.

- 11. Caltrans shall require their prime contractors to make good faith efforts to replace an MBE subcontractor that is unable to perform successfully with another MBE. Caltrans Division of Civil Rights shall approve all substitutions of subcontractors during contract performance, in order to ensure that the substitute firms are eligible MBEs. The Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee is to be advised of all such substitution requests and if the Committee disagrees with the actions of the Caltrans Division of Civil Rights, the Committee may appeal to the Director of Transportation whose decision shall be final.
- portion of the work shall require each subbidder for a portion of the work to submit its subbid or proposal in writing in sealed form to the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee. At the pre-award conference, see paragraph III. B. herein, the Affirmative Action Committee shall open all subbids and proposals for subcontracted work and may consider them in determining if the bidder has met the responsiveness criteria.
- 13. Where allowable under local law and determined by Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative

Action Committee to be necessary to meet MEE goals, procedures to implement MBE set-asides shall be established. MBE set-asides shall be used only in cases where at least three MBEs with capabilities consistent with contract requirements exist, so as to permit competition.

(45 Fed. Reg. 21188, § 23.45 (k).)

14. The bidder shall designate, and make known to the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee (see section IV. C. infra) a liaison officer to administer the bidder's minority business enterprise and equal employment opportunities programs.

MBE program, Caltrans, with the assistance of the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee, shall develop a record keeping system which will identify and assess MBE contract awards, prime contractors' progress in achieving MBE subcontract goals, and other MBE affirmative action efforts.

Specifically, Caltrans shall maintain records showing:

- a. Procedures which have been adopted to comply with the requirements of this plan;
- b. Awards to MBEs. These awards shall be measured against projected MBE awards and/or MBE goals. To assist in this effort, Caltrans shall obtain regular reports from prime contractors on their progress in meeting contractual MBE obligations;

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c. Specific efforts to identify and award contracts to MBEs;

## d. Reports:

- (i) Caltrans shall submit to the

  Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee

  copies of reports conforming in frequency and

  format to existing contract reporting require
  ments of the federal Department of Transportation.

  Where no such contract reporting requirements

  exist, MBE reports shall be submitted quarterly.
- (ii) These reports shall include at a minimum:
  - (a) The number of contractsawarded to MBEs;
  - (b) A description of the general categories of contracts awarded to MBEs;
  - (c) The dollar value of contracts awarded to MBEs;
  - (d) The percentage of the dollar value of all contracts awarded during this period which were awarded to MBEs; and
  - (e) An indication of whether and the extent to which the percentage met or exceeded the goal specified in the application.
- (§ 23.47(a) through (d), p. 28940-1.)

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## B. Equal Employment Opportunity Goals

1. The goals for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the contractor's aggregate work force in each trade on all construction work on projects covered by this Decree, during specified time periods, shall be as follows:

## a. Minority Participation:

| Time Period | Trade | Goal                                  |
|-------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| 1979-1980   | All   | The figure established by the Depart- |
| 1980-1981   | All   | ment of Labor ("DOL") for federally   |
| 1981-       | All . | financed construction in L.A. County  |
|             |       | until such time as specified goals    |
|             |       | have been determined pursuant to a    |
|             |       | study to be conducted by Caltrans.    |

The criteria to be used in the study shall be as follows:

- (i) Percent of unemployed in corridor who are minorities;
- (ii) Percent of minorities in total
  corridor population;
- (iii) Percent of minorities now
  employed in large Caltrans projects;
- (iv) In addition to other criteria there shall be considered past employment obstacles to socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. If effective and feasible strategies can be developed which will lessen or remove these obstacles, then in

fixing goals, future improved performance should be considered.

## b. Female Participation:

| Time Period | Trade | Goal                                |
|-------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 1979-1980   | All   | The figures established by the DOL  |
| 1980-1981   | All   | for federally financed construction |
| 1981-       | All   | in L.A. County until such time as   |
|             |       | specific goals have been determined |
|             |       | pursuant to a study to be conducted |
|             |       | by Caltrans.                        |

The criteria to be examined in the study shall be as follows:

- (i) Percent of unemployed in corridor who are women:
- (ii) Percent of women in total corridor population;
- (iii) Most current participation rates available for women in construction industry in California, including percent of females in total construction labor force and percent of total female labor force in construction related jobs;
- (iv) Number of women currently
  entering into apprenticeship programs for
  categories of crafts people, kindred workers
  and operatives in construction industry
  (percent of total);

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(v) In addition to other criteria there shall be considered past employment obstacles to socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. If effective and feasible strategies can be developed which will lessen or remove these obstacles, then in fixing goals, future improved performance should be considered.

Goals may be set higher than the DOL goals to reflect demand and supply of female labor as revealed by criteria above. In addition, higher goals may be set in response to documented increase in interest in construction jobs on the part of women who are aware that federal law requires that contractors make best efforts to hire percentage goals of female workers. (See Bem & Bem, "Are Women Interested in Construction Jobs?: The Role of Affirmative Action," Department of Psychology, Stanford University.) In no event may goals be less than DOL goals.

Once new goals are determined, they will be only applicable to the contractor's construction work on the projects covered by this Decree.

2. The goals for minority and female participation expressed in percentage terms for the contractor's management jobs at the corporate level whether or not related to the projects covered by this Decree, shall be as follows:

Minority Management-level Jobs: 5-10%
Female Management-level Jobs: 5-10%

- 3. At least one-fourth of the women and minority group members employed in apprenticeship and training programs shall be people hired for the first time for work on a major state or federally-funded construction job.
- 4. The bidder shall exercise "best efforts" to meet the goals set forth in this subsection by locating and employing minority group members and females who regularly reside in the corridor communities. All efforts to comply with this provision shall be fully documented.
- tractor's compliance with these requirements shall be based on its plans for and its actual implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 C.F.R. 60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals established herein. In addition to the requirements set forth in the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" (Executive Order 11246), "best efforts" to meet these goals shall include, but not be limited to, concrete and meaningful efforts to achieve, publicize or advertise job availability and the contractor's EEO policy through the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and to make serious and meaningful use of the services

and contracts of the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee.

6. A bidder's failure to establish a comprehensive affirmative action plan designed to meet these goals effectively will be grounds for finding the bid or proposal nonresponsive.

## C. Regional Business and Employment Goals

- 1. In addition to its commitment to utilize minority subcontractors and to hire minority and femala employees, each bidder shall, in making bids and carrying out work pursuant to this Decree, make best efforts to find and utilize qualified contractors and persons who regularly reside or have their principal place of business in the area where the project is situated, except:
  - a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available;
  - b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor or his subcontractors to employ supervisory or specially experienced individuals necessary to assure execution of the contract;
  - c. For the obligation of the contractor or his subcontractors to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that in no event shall the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph "c" exceed 20% of the total number of employees employed by such

contractor and his subcontractors on such project;

d. To the extent that this provision may conflict with the minority business and employment goals, those goals take precedence.

## D. Other Provisions

The Bid Specification Document also will include all of the other provisions of this Decree which pertain to minority business and employment.

## III. CONFERENCES

## A. Pre-Bid Conference

- 1. Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee shall convene a pre-bid conference to be attended by all contractors who intend to bid on the contract. Attendance at the meeting will be a specific consideration in determining whether bidders meet the responsiveness criteria.
- 2. Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee will aggressively seek to publicize and advertise each such pre-bid conference. The publicity campaign will be specifically designed to reach corridor community and minority business enterprises through sources including trade associations, trade publications, and newspapers and broadcasting stations which effectively penetrate the corridor communities and minority communities.
- 3. The conference will be designed to educate contractors about the general requirements of state and

federal affirmative action plans, as well as about the specific requirements established pursuant to this Decree.

4. The conference will also be designed to introduce bidders to interested minority business enterprises.

## B. Pre-Award Conference

- 1. Before each bid is accepted, Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee shall convene a pre-award conference with the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder, the subcontractors it proposes to use, and any relevant unions.
- 2. The conference shall be designed to help Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee determine whether the plans of the bidder are truly responsive to the goals and requirements set forth in the Bid Specification Document.
- 3. Attendance at the meeting will be a specific consideration in determining whether bidders meet the responsiveness criteria.

# C. Separate Pre-Construction Conference on Equal Employment, Minority Business Enterprises, and Business Preferences

1. Above and beyond any pre-construction conferences which Caltrans may hold on other project-related issues, Caltrans and the Century Freeway Affirmative Action Committee shall, in connection with each

project, hold a special pre-construction conference on equal employment, minority business enterprise, and regional employment and business preference aspects of the project.

- 2. The conference shall be designed to ensure that the contractor is fully implementing the pledges made in its bid.
- 3. Attendance at the conference will be a specific consideration in determining whether bidders and contractors meet the responsiveness criteria.

## IV. CENTURY FREEWAY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE

## A. Membership

The Committee shall have seven (7) members.

The following shall each appoint an individual who has three or more years' experience working on the implementation of plans for equal employment and/or minority business enterprises:

- 1. Caltrans Civil Rights Division;
- 2. Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA")
  Civil Rights Division;
- 3. Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles;
- 4. The Los Angeles branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People ("NAACP"):
  - 5. National Organization of Women ("NOW");
  - Mexican-American Opportunity Foundation;

# B. Duties and Responsibilities

The Committee shall:

- 1. Establish a regular schedule of sessions for conducting business.
- 2. Hire an Executive Director and staff, as described in Paragraph IV. C. 1 and 2, and work with it to achieve the tasks set forth in this Exhibit to the Decree; establishing operating headquarters within the corridor communities.
- 3. Prepare a reasonable budget for submission to Caltrans and FHWA for approval.
- 4. Review and prepare written comments on the responsiveness of all bids and contracts. The final decision as to whether a bid is fully responsive rests with Caltrans; however, where the Committee, on written findings, concludes that a bidder does not meet the affirmative action responsiveness criteria, Caltrans will fully consider the Committee's objections. Any decision to reject the Committee's findings, therefore, will only be made by the Director of Caltrans, after holding a public hearing, and any such decision will be accompanied by a reasoned written explanation of the Director's conclusions. A hearing officer may be appointed by the Director to conduct the hearing.
- 5. Conduct periodic reviews of each contractor's performance, receive complaints, and conduct regular

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on-site inspections and interviews. The final decision to impose legal sanctions including, but not limited to, cancellation, termination, or suspension of the contract in whole or in part, or declaration that the contractor is ineligible for further government contracts, rests with Caltrans; however, where the Committee concludes that such action is warranted, and submits a written petition to the Director of Caltrans, the Director will hold a public hearing or "compliance conference" at a site in one of the corridor communities. Notice of the meeting will be provided to the Committee and to other interested parties well in advance, and the Committee will be given a reasonable opportunity to participate and to present its views. The Director will render a decision in the petition expeditiously, and the decision will be accompanied by a reasoned written explanation of the Director's conclusions.

- 6. Aggressively assist in the process of achieving equal employment minority business participation, and regional employment and business, by helping to locate and recruit employees, contractors and subcontractors; and by establishing effective programs for contractors and subcontractors who are unable to meet MBE and Equal Employment Opportunity goals.
- 7. In carrying out its tasks, the Committee will have full access to all relevant data obtained by or in the files of Caltrans and FHWA, except where access to such data is specifically prohibited by existing

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law. Caltrans will circulate all relevant documents and materials to the Committee in a timely fashion, including all draft Bid Specification Documents, affirmative action plans and notices, and project bids as soon as they are opened.

8. Request amendments to this section of the Decree from the parties to it should the Committee feel such action is necessary.

## C. Staff

- 1. Executive Director: An Executive Director shall be appointed by the Civil Rights Division of Caltrans after full consultation with the Committee.

  The Committee shall participate in the annual evaluation of the Director which is conducted under applicable civil service requirements.
- 2. Additional Staff: The Committee and the Executive Director shall hire such additional staff and retain such consultants as are required to fully implement the Committee's responsibilities.

## D. Funding

1. The budget prepared by the Committee shall be considered a project cost and shall be paid for by Caltrans and FHWA and apportioned in the same ratio out of federal and state trust fund resources as any other qualifying project cost.

2. Nongovernmental members of the Committee shall be compensated at the rate of \$60.00 per meeting To be entitled to said compensation attendance for more than 75% of any meeting is required. This compensation may be increased by Caltrans to match increases in the cost of living index.

## E. Public Hearing and Records

Except where matters concerning Committee personnel, legal proceedings or trade secrets require confidentiality, all Committee meetings and records shall be open to the public.

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R. PHILLIPS THIA D. ROBBINS Hall & Phillips 10951 W. Pico Blvd., Third Floor Los Angeles, California 90064 Telephone: (213) 470-2001 FAX: (213) 474-7083 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 6 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 RALPH W. KEITH, et al., 12 Plaintiffs, 13 14 JOHN A. VOLPE, as Secretary of Transportation, et al., 15 Defendants. 16

No. Civ. 72-355-HP

PLAINTIFFS ' FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AMENDED FINAL CONSENT DECREE

Amicus Curiae.

CENTURY FREEWAY AFFIRMATIVE

ACTION COMMITTEE, INC.,

### EXHIBIT B, THE HOUSING PLAN.

The Court-ordered Pund Should Now be Matched with an Efficient Process Structure to Expedite Rousing.

On February 20, 1991, the Court ordered the establishment of a special trust fund, as recommended by the Leventhal Report and the Special Counsel, to safeguard Century Freeway housing dollars against further erosion and vastly improve the existing disbursement process. With an efficient funding mechanism now in

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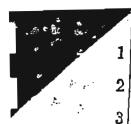
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IV. LIGHT RAIL.

## A. CPAAC Monitoring of Light Rail Construction.

On November 22, 1989, plaintiffs filed a motion seeking the Court's interpretation of the Consent Decree with regard to CFAAC monitoring of light rail construction. The motion has not yet been calendared, and the issue remains unresolved.

Despite ongoing efforts over the last year and a half, CFAAC has been unable to reach an understanding with the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (LACTC) and Caltrans regarding its role in implementing Exhibit C requirements of the Consent Decree. See Exhibit D, Status Report, CFAAC's A.A. Monitoring and Outreach Role in Green Line, dated February 7, 1991.

IACTC has awarded the first contracts for construction of the Green Line. Before the project awards proceed further, CFAAC activities with respect to light rail construction should be settled.

Plaintiffs request that the Court now calendar the motion as soon as practical.

# B. Light Rail Extension into the Los Angeles Airport.

Plaintiffs remain seriously concerned about the failure of IACTC to perform an adequate study of the connection between the Green Line light rail system and the Los Angeles International Airport (IAX). Plaintiffs intend to bring the issue to the Court's attention to ensure that the final alignment of the Green Line is in full accordance with the light rail requirements of the Consent. Decree. See Consent Decree at 9.

There is still time to develop a careful, proper study regarding the most effective way to move the system and to consider

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train-to-plane alternative alignments. The final engineering design of the Green Line Northern Extension will not be complete and construction of the line will not begin until the first quarter of 1992.4

> DATED: February 20, 1991.

> > Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>4</sup> The Northern Extension, a three mile segment, is a Green Line branch moving north from the Aviation/Imperial transit station at the Western terminus of the Norwalk/El Segundo Green Line. It drops airport passengers at Lot C where they must catch shuttles to continue their journey into terminals. See Exhibit E, Map of Green Line Northern Extension. The cost of the Northern Extension is currently projected at \$215 million. Green Line construction is budgeted at \$599 million.

- Section 8 funds may also be used to decrease the income level at which rents are affordable below the income levels called for by this Exhibit, regardless of the sales price of the units.
- "Section 235" program, the California Housing Finance Agency's Home Ownership Home Improvement Loan Program, state or federal mortgage insurance programs, or similar programs which allow affordability to be achieved at prices higher than those which would be necessary to allow affordability under conventional financing, the difference between the conventional sales price and the actual sales price shall revert to a fund administered by the Housing Program. This fund shall assist in the creation and/or operating costs of below moderate—income housing.
- 4. Operating Costs: As used in this settlement, operating costs shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, taxes, utilities, insurance, management, maintenance, administration, and where units are sponsored by private for-profit entities, a reasonable profit.

## F. Excess Property.

The Housing Plan shall include an inventory of excess property. It shall recommend future use for excess property. Excess property is defined as that property which was originally acquired for the I-105 freeway

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project but which is not incorporated within the final project.

#### Vacant Land:

Where excess land has been acquired and cleared, its potential use for relocation housing, schools, parks, open space, community facilities, or economic development projects shall be considered and given priority over other uses. The Federal defendants shall not require repayment of federal highway funds used for public projects. Where excess land is suitable for sites for move—on housing, displaced owners shall be given the opportunity to purchase such land and relocate his/her dwelling on the site.

#### 2. Improved Land:

Where excess property has not been cleared and housing remains on the site, such housing shall be considered for use as replacement housing.

Where property consists of land and dwellings which have been acquired but from which the original owner or pre-acquisition tenant has not moved, such owners or tenants shall be given priority to purchase their dwellings. Multiple-family units may be purchased as cooperatives, condominiums, or rental projects. Post-acquisition tenants of excess property for over 180 days prior to the date of the final Consent Decree (October 11, 1979) shall be