Mike Hursh, General Manager



Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District

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Metropolitan Transportation Commission Attn: Chair Alfredo Pedroza 375 Beale Street San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Chair Pedroza,

AC Transit appreciates the commitment of the Commission and staff to continue to work to develop consensus for a regional revenue measure. While consensus on a bill was not reached this year, we remain hopeful that ongoing engagement with key stakeholders, including transit operators will yield success in 2025.

As the Commission begins its discussions regarding next steps for a new revenue measure, including the establishment of a select committee, AC Transit respectfully requests that a seat on the committee be made available to either a member of our Board of Directors or myself as CEO/General Manager.

We support the establishment of the select committee and believe that the creation of this formal body will help us build consensus around a new measure. It is critical that there is a forum for direct interaction and feedback between MTC Commissioners and transit agency leaders. Additionally, because AC Transit is a Special District with a publicly elected Board of Directors, we currently do not have representation on the Commission. However, through the Regional Network Management Committee, AC Transit Board Vice President, Diane Shaw, has been able to offer valuable insight and feedback on transit initiatives and projects of regional significance, we hope to be able to do the same on the select committee.

As evidenced by the fate of SB 1031, moving forward with a single voice will be critical to the success of any future regional revenue measure. We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at <u>mhursh@actransit.org</u>.

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Cc: AC Transit Board of Directors MTC Commission Executive Director Fremier