WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (“SFMTA”) currently operates a fleet of 151 light rail vehicles (LRVs), which are scheduled for retirement starting in 2021; and,

WHEREAS, The start of revenue service for the Central Subway Extension will require an additional 24 light rail vehicles to be delivered by 2018; and,

WHEREAS, Ridership projections and planned service expansions indicate a need for an additional 85 light rail vehicles over the next ten years; including 40 light rail vehicles needed between 2018 and 2021; and,

WHEREAS, In order to procure new LRVs to meet these anticipated needs, the SFMTA issued a Request for Qualifications in March 2013 seeking Statements of Qualification (SOQs) from LRV car builders; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA received SOQs from four car builders, and after evaluating the SOQs, found all four car builders eligible to continue on to the Request for Proposals (RFP) phase of the procurement; and,

WHEREAS, In September 2013, the SFMTA issued an RFP for the procurement of up to 260 LRVs, with a scope of work that includes the design, manufacture, delivery and test of LRVs, together with associated services, spare parts, special tools, training and documentation; and,

WHEREAS, In February 2014, the SFMTA received proposals from two car builders; after reviewing the proposals, the selection panel determined Siemens Industry, Inc. to be the highest-ranked proposer; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has negotiated a final agreement with Siemens Industry, Inc., to procure up to 260 LRVs, associated services, spare parts, special tools, training and documentation, for an amount not to exceed $1,192,651,577, and a term not to exceed 15 years; and,

WHEREAS, The base portion of the contract for 175 LRVs will be funded with federal, state and local funds; and

WHEREAS, The Department of City Planning has determined that the replacement and expansion vehicle portions of the procurement are statutorily exempt under Section 21080(b)(11) of the California Resources Code and Section 15275(a) of the implementing CEQA Guidelines because those portions of the procurement involve an increase of service on rail lines already in use; and
WHEREAS, The vehicles for the Central Subway Project were reviewed as part of the Central Subway Final Supplemental EIS/EIR, certified by the Planning Commission on August 7, 2008, and on August 19, 2008 this Commission, in Resolution No. 08-150 adopted the findings and conclusions with respect to Central Subway Final Supplemental EIS/EIR; and based upon this Commission’s review of the Final Supplemental EIS/EIR, the Commission finds that no additional environmental review is required under Public Resources Code section 21166; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to execute SFMTA Contract No. 2013-19: Procurement of New Light Rail Vehicles (LRV4), with Siemens Industry, Inc., to procure up to 260 LRVs, associated services, spare parts, special tools, training and documentation, in an amount not to exceed $1,192,651,577, and for a term not to exceed 15 years; subject to FTA’s resolution of the protest submitted to them by CAF USA; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to enter into negotiations with Siemens Industry, Inc. to provide financing for approximately 40 Option vehicles to be delivered between 2018 and 2021 should SFMTA determine that such financing is feasible and advantageous to the Agency, with any final financing agreement to be approved by this Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors urges the Board of Supervisors to approve this Agreement.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of July 15, 2014.

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Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency