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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0004		

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

January 30, 2017

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 17-0004 for the purpose of acknowledging that Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail, LLC ("BWRR") has sought the consent of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to transfer of the authority to exercise the franchise formerly held by the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad in accordance with PSC Order No. 8724, in case 9363; granting consent for BWRR to exercise the franchise formerly held by the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad; and generally relating to the transfer of certain railway franchise.

As proposed City Council Bill 17-0004 would consent to the transfer of the 1906 franchise ordinance (Ordinance 123) authorizing the Baltimore Terminal Corporation to construct a railroad in the City of Baltimore.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is monitoring the planning process of BWRR's proposed Superconducting Magnetic Levitation (SCMAGLEV) project connecting Washington, DC and Baltimore. As this project continues DOT will work with BWRR to ensure that Baltimore's future transportation needs are met.

DOT has no objections to this bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

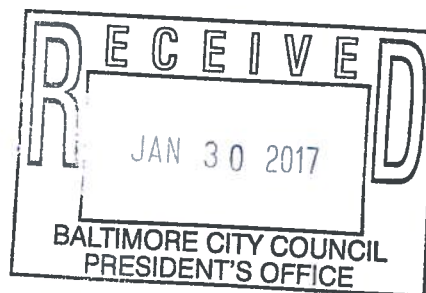
Respectfully,



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