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Photo/Interview Opportunity at California State Railroad Museum

Officials Available to Share Details about Capitol Corridor’s new Clean Diesel-Electric Locomotives

SACRAMENTO, CALIF., April 14, 2017 — Beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, journalists are invited for a first official look at one of the new Siemens Charger Clean Diesel-Electric Locomotives on display at the California State Railroad Museum as part of the 2017 California Passenger Rail Summit. The California-built, environmentally-friendly Charger locomotives will begin operation on the Capitol Corridor service later this month.

CalSTA Secretary Brian P. Kelly, Siemens Rolling Stock President Michael Cahill, and Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA) Managing Director David Kutrosky will each give brief remarks about the Charger locomotives, followed by a brief Q&A session.

Remarks and Q&A session will be held in the museum’s Roundhouse from 3:00-3:30pm. Reporters may remain to photograph the locomotive until 3:45pm. After the Photo/Interview Opportunity, officials will proceed to the 2017 California Passenger Rail Summit.

WHAT: Photo and Interview Op at California State Railroad Museum
WHEN: Tuesday, April 18, 3:00pm – 3:30pm
WHERE: Roundhouse of the California State Railroad Museum
125 “I” Street, Sacramento CA 95814

About Capitol Corridor: The Capitol Corridor is an intercity rail service connecting the most economically vibrant urban centers in the Northern California megaregion – from the Sacramento capital, to the tech hub of Silicon Valley, and including San Francisco, Oakland, and Berkeley. With a Cafe Car and free wi-fi on board, Capitol Corridor trains provide a convenient, reliable, and comfortable alternative to the congested I-80, I-680, and I-880 freeways for both work and leisure travelers. The extensive network of bus connections further extends the Capitol Corridor’s reach to destinations like Reno, Lake Tahoe, Santa Cruz, and Monterey. Together, these systems serve the second-largest urban service area in the Western United States.

The Capitol Corridor intercity rail service was made possible by Californians who voted to provide capital funding for passenger trains in 1990, and is managed by the CCJPA. The CCJPA partners with Amtrak, Union Pacific Railroad, Caltrans and the communities comprising the CCJPA to offer cost-effective, viable and safe intercity passenger rail and offers a convenient way to travel between the Sierra Foothills, Sacramento, the San Francisco Bay Area and Silicon Valley/San Jose. For more information visit capitolcorridor.org.

About CalSTA: The California State Transportation Agency is responsible for transportation-related departments within the state: Board of Pilot Commissioners, California Highway Patrol, California Transportation Commission, Department of
Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, High-Speed Rail Authority, New Motor Vehicle Board and Office of Traffic Safety. For more information, visit www.calsta.ca.gov.

**About Siemens:** Siemens Rolling Stock business unit is part of the Siemens Mobility Division which provides efficient and integrated transportation of people and goods by rail and road – including all products, solutions and services regarding mobility. Siemens designs and manufactures across the entire spectrum of rolling stock including commuter and regional passenger trains, light rail and streetcars, metros, locomotives, passenger coaches and high-speed trainsets. In the U.S., Siemens is providing rail vehicles, locomotives, components and systems to more than 25 agencies in cities such as Washington D.C., New York, Boston, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Denver, Salt Lake City, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Houston, Portland, Sacramento, San Diego, St. Louis, Atlanta, Norfolk and Charlotte. Cities also rely on Siemens to provide traction-power substations and electricity transmission, as well as signaling and control technology for freight and passenger rail and transit systems. Siemens has transportation manufacturing hubs in: Sacramento, CA; Louisville, KY; Marion, KY; Pittsburgh, PA.

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