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CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Chairman Pringle and Authority Members      **Date:** August 28, 2009

**From:** Mehdi Morshed  
Executive Director

**Subject:** Agenda Item 10 – Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Memorandum of Understanding

### **Discussion:**

The Authority's legal counsel have examined the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Authority and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA). Our attorneys have recommended several alterations to the agreement to address certain technical concerns. Those alterations are incorporated into the agreement accompanying this memorandum.

### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the proposed resolution (attached). Approval of the resolution, which would authorize the Executive Director to execute on the Authority's behalf a memorandum of understanding in substantial harmony with the attached, will demonstrate the Authority's desire and intention to enter into an agreement with the LACMTA, while at the same time allowing the Authority's staff and attorneys to work with the staff and attorneys of the LACMTA to resolve the technical issues our attorneys have identified.