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**REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2007**

The Honorable Board of Directors
Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District

Honorable Members:

**LISA LOCATI SELECTED AS MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSIT
STUDIES PROGRAM'S STUDY MISSION**

Security and Emergency Management Specialist Lisa Locati has been selected to join an elite research team of 12 transit professionals selected from agencies across the country to participate in an international mission study. This study mission is part of the International Transit Studies Program (ITSP) established by the Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP), and managed by the Eno Foundation.

Each study mission focuses on one or two aspects of transportation. This particular research team's focus is Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery in the Transit Industry. They will depart on March 15 for China (Beijing and Tangshan), Hong Kong, South Korea (Seoul) and Japan (Osaka, Kobe, Hyogo Prefecture and Tokyo) and return home on April 1. Upon completion of the mission, the research team will be producing a report that will eventually be published by the Transportation Research Board.

The research team represents 9 states and the District of Columbia and will be lead by Mike Setzer, CEO of Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority of Cincinnati, OH. Completing the research team will be 3 special participants from the American Public Transportation Association, Federal Transportation Administration and Transportation Research Board.

Applications come from across the country and people are selected based on diversity and geographic location. Consideration is also given to select individuals who will be a contributor to the team and who will gain from the experience in terms of applying what is learned in their home properties as well as sharing lessons learned with others.

PRESENTATIONS BY DISTRICT STAFF FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2007

For the month of February, District staff made speeches and/or presentations to community groups/interviewers interested in the District. The following presentations were made in the month of February:

**PRESENTATIONS BY DISTRICT STAFF FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2007
 (continued)**

PRESENTATION TO:	PRESENTED BY:
Marketing & Communications Workshop	Mary Currie
Paintings and Coatings EXPO	Dennis Dellarocca & Noel Stampfli
Visiting Romanian Engineers	John Eberle
Crescent City Breakfast Rotary, Crescent City Noon Rotary, and Visiting Japanese Delegates	Kary Witt
Leadership Group on Regional Transit	Alan Zahradnik

SPECIAL EVENT/EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITY REQUESTS

There were no scheduled special event/expressive activities since last reported in the February 23, 2007, Report of the General Manager.

BRIDGE TRAFFIC FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2007

Bridge traffic for the month of January increased 2.91% to 3,113,276 vehicles as compared to the previous year's total of 3,025,288 vehicles during the month of January. Average daily traffic reflects an increase from 97,590 in January 2006, to 100,428 in January 2007. The highest traffic day recorded was Monday, January 1 when 111,176 vehicles crossed the Bridge (Attachment 1).

VEHICLE TRAFFIC INCIDENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2007

Of the 3,113,276 vehicles that crossed the Golden Gate Bridge in January, there were 12 traffic incidents detailed as follows:

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AND TOLL PLAZA				
Vehicle Traffic Incident	Occurrences	Vehicles	Injuries	Fatalities
HB – Hit Barrier	1	1	0	0
RE Rear Ender	1	2	0	0
SS Side Swipe	1	2	0	0
O - Other	2	2	1	0
TOTAL	5	7	1	0
APPROACHES – (Waldo Grade, Alexander Ave., Doyle Drive & Park Presidio Blvd.)				
Vehicle Traffic Incident	Occurrences	Vehicles	Injuries	Fatalities
C - Collision	1	1	1	0
HB – Hit Barrier	1	1	0	0
RE - Rear Ender	2	4	1	0
SS – Side Swipe	3	6	1	0
TOTAL	7	12	3	0

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – MARCH 2007

After reviewing nominations submitted by District employees, the Employee of the Month Committee selected Edward Dean, Chief Bridge Service Operator, Bridge Division, as the Employee of the Month for March 2007.

Mr. Dean receives this prestigious award in recognition of his many efforts and accomplishments in the Bridge Service Department. Mr. Dean's determined ability to upgrade the equipment and technology used by the Bridge Service Department has also led to his extensive training sessions with department employees. Mr. Dean has solely taken on this responsibility due to the major changes in the towing industry and to focus on employee safety issues relating to vehicle towing. Mr. Dean has also been beneficial in teaching the technique of vehicle extrication of trapped victims involved in automobile accidents. Mr. Dean's accomplishments are so successful that he has been asked to conduct multi-agency training courses for the Bridge Service employees and adjoining Fire Departments. Due to extensive knowledge of roadway operations and traffic diversions, Mr. Dean's co-workers have commented that he is always counted upon in the event of an emergency situation and is highly regarded by his peers for handling all crises in a professional and calm manner.

Mr. Dean joined the District as a Bridge Officer on April 13, 1981, promoted to Bridge Service Operator on September 23, 1983 and in June 1995, promoted to his current position of Chief Bridge Service Operator. Prior to District employment, Mr. Dean was employed as an Equipment Operator/Driver for Half Moon Bay Building and Gardening, and as a Heavy Equipment Tire Repairman for Brandon Tire in Santa Rosa, and as a Route Driver/Warehouseman for Mel Kaylor Distributing. Mr. Dean has attended Trade Industry Workshops for the following courses: Certified First Responder; Hazardous Material Management & Vehicle Extrication Protocols & Training; Post Certified DMV Commercial Instructor & Examiner.

Mr. Dean was born in San Rafael and attended Half Moon Bay High School in Half Moon Bay. Mr. Dean resides in Vacaville with his wife, Rebecca, and their children, Jessica, Jason, Jamie, Sterling, and Elizabeth. Mr. Dean enjoys camping, motorcycle riding, hiking with his family and playing softball. His greatest honor is when the young children whom he has coached in baseball, come up to him and refer to him as "coach" and ask how he and the family are doing. Mr. Dean is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the San Francisco Body of the Scottish Rite since 1990. Their goal is to assist the impoverished and disabled children with the means necessary to enrich their lives.

Of special note, Mr. Dean is grateful to the District for allowing him the opportunity to perform services that he values and respects which are to teach and share with his co-workers and friends the ability lending a helping hand to stranded motorists that rely on Bridge services.

Respectfully submitted,

Celia G. Kupersmith
General Manager

Attachments
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GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

**Cumulative Record of Traffic for the Month, Fiscal Year to Date, Last 12 Months,
and Since the Bridge's Opening Day, May 27, 1937**

	MONTH OF:		2007		FISCAL YEAR TO DATE		12 MONTHS ENDING:		January		TOTAL SINCE 1937 INCEPTION
	2007	January 2006	% Δ	2007	06/07	05/06	% Δ	2007	2006	% Δ	
REVENUE VEHICLES	3,000,004	2,913,532	2.97%	21,969,004	22,194,976	21,969,004	1.03%	37,661,786	37,445,462	0.58%	1,642,282,556
2-Axle Vehicles	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%	-	-	0.00%	4,057,611
Auto Trailers (1)	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%	-	-	0.00%	7,873,075
Buses (1)	15,552	15,300	1.65%	135,518	145,316	135,518	7.23%	234,642	224,676	4.44%	42,617,891
Multi-Axle Vehicles (1)	4,022	4,210	-4.47%	29,622	27,668	29,622	-6.60%	48,212	51,734	-6.81%	700,028
Disabled Patron Vehicles	3,019,578	2,933,042	2.95%	22,134,144	22,367,960	22,134,144	1.06%	37,944,640	37,721,872	0.59%	1,697,531,161
Revenue Vehicles Subtotal											

NON-REVENUE VEHICLES

Federal (2)	1,364	1,528	-10.73%	9,680	11,368	11,368	-14.85%	17,770	20,424	-12.99%	24,441,422
CHP/GGBHTD (3)	18,506	19,914	-7.07%	129,572	134,708	134,708	-3.81%	225,740	224,838	0.40%	7,366,870
Golden Gate Transit Buses (3)	11,598	11,310	2.55%	79,556	79,886	79,886	-0.41%	134,702	131,622	2.34%	6,655,122
Free Vehicles (4)	-	-	0.00%	-	-	-	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	380,322
Commuter Period Carpool (4)	62,230	59,494	4.60%	497,412	513,600	513,600	-3.15%	840,000	863,610	-2.73%	26,945,468
Non-Rev. Vehicles Subtotal:	93,698	92,246	1.57%	716,220	739,562	739,562	-3.16%	1,218,212	1,240,494	-1.80%	65,789,204

TOTAL VEHICLES (5)

TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 3,113,276	\$ 3,025,288	2.91%	\$ 23,084,180	\$ 22,873,706	\$ 22,873,706	0.92%	\$ 39,162,852	\$ 38,962,366	0.51%	\$ 1,763,320,365
AVG DAILY REVENUE	\$ 6,566,347	\$ 6,782,054	-3.18%	\$ 49,817,745	\$ 49,951,794	\$ 49,951,794	-0.27%	\$ 61,584,402	\$ 62,128,265	-0.88%	\$ 1,177,677,261
AVG TOLL / REV. VEHICLE	\$ 2,1746	\$ 2,3123	-5.96%	\$ 2,2272	\$ 2,2568	\$ 2,2568	-1.31%	\$ 1,6230	\$ 1,6470	-1.46%	\$ 0.6938
AVERAGE DAILY VEHICLES	100,428	97,590	2.91%	107,368	106,389	106,389	0.92%	107,295	106,746	0.51%	73,499

This Month's Traffic Record

High: Monday, January 1, 2007	111,176
Low: Thursday, January 11, 2007	71,662

All Time Traffic Record

High: Friday, October 27, 1989	162,414
Low: Thursday, December 9, 1937	3,878

This Month's Weather

Number of days with no rain	27
Number of days with rain	4

(1) Autos with Trailers, 3-Axle Buses, and Trucks are now categorized as Multi-Axle Vehicles; 2-Axle Buses and Trucks are now under 2-Axle Vehicles, as of January 1, 2000.

(2) Army, Navy, and Air Force vehicles and personnel required to use the Golden Gate Bridge are entitled to toll-free passage under Federal law.

(3) Statistics for CHP and District vehicles were not compiled prior to July 7, 1970; Compilation of Golden Gate Transit Buses began January 1, 1992.

(4) Free passage for carpools commenced April 12, 1976. Free vehicles occurred in October of 1989, due to heavy traffic after the Loma-Prieta earthquake.

(5) This figure is DOUBLE the Monthly Total of ALL SOUTHBOUND vehicles to determine an estimate of total Vehicles for BOTH Northbound AND Southbound traffic.