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****PRESS RELEASE****

SFMTA Receives Gold Level Sustainability Recognition from the American Public Transportation Association

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which oversees all transportation in the city, including the Municipal Railway (Muni), today received the American Public Transportation Association's Sustainability Commitment Gold-level recognition for its efforts to improve its environmental, social and economic sustainability at the Sustainability and Public Transportation Workshop being held July 28-30 at the Westin St. Francis Hotel in Union Square.

"I am honored to accept this recognition on behalf of the entire SFMTA whose employees work tirelessly to improve San Francisco's sustainable transportation options," said Edward D. Reiskin, Director of Transportation. "I also want to thank APTA for its leadership in highlighting sustainability best practices."

APTA cited the SFMTA's unique, multi-modal mission when honoring the Agency. "Thanks to a comprehensive focus on mobility, unlinked passenger trips have increased by 6.8 percent from 2007 to 2012 while personal vehicle miles traveled have fallen by 2.7 percent from 2007 to 2010."

Muni's historically green fleet was also cited. "The SFMTA operates the largest municipal biodiesel fleet in the country, displacing roughly one million gallons of diesel fuel annually, as well as the largest zero-emission (trolley) bus fleet. As a result, from 1990 to 2010, the Agency has reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 23.2 percent per passenger mile traveled."

[APTA's Sustainability Commitment program](#) also recognized the following transportation organizations: Los Angeles county Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Hampton Roads Transit, King County Metro Transit, and Visual Marking Systems.

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Hosted by the SFMTA, the San Mateo County Transit District and Bay Area Rapid Transit, the Sustainability and Public Transportation Workshop and the concurrent Multimodal Operations Planning workshop invited more than 200 transit professionals to learn about environmental and socially responsible developments and practices as well as the latest technological advances in multimodal operations planning.

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Established by voter proposition in 1999, the SFMTA, a department of the City and County of San Francisco, oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking and traffic, bicycling, walking and taxis. With five modes of transit, Muni has approximately 700,000 passenger boardings each day. Over 1 million people get around this city each day and rely on the SFMTA to ensure safe and reliable travel by transit, walking, bicycling, taxi and driving.

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