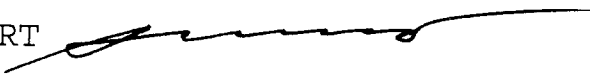




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The Los Angeles Times is expected to run two articles soon relating to our rail construction program. One will be a feature on Stanley Phernambucq. The other will compare construction incidents and work related injuries in other cities with those which have occurred in Los Angeles. As you know, other projects have suffered major incidents and accidents.

The article also will include cost comparisons of the MTA rail construction project with those completed in other cities. Segment I, when completed, came in some \$200 million above the projected budget, while Segments II and III are moving forward at projected budget costs.

The article also will cover the issue of construction delays. At this time, Segment II is five months behind schedule, however, our engineers have not yet factored in the added delay which will occur as a result of the Hollywood sinkhole. Segment III, North Hollywood, is 4.5 months behind schedule. The Wilshire portion of Segment II is about four months ahead of schedule.