

August 7, 2014

Mr. Migdall
Corporate Marketing Manager
SEMA Construction, Inc.

Re: Peoria Crossing Project

Dear Mr. Migdall,

The Peoria Crossing project has been a challenging project in many aspects particularly dealing with several major stakeholders: City of Denver, City of Aurora, RTD, and the UPRR; coordination of two adjacent major RTD design and construction projects: East Rail line and I-225 LRT; along with the complexity of coordinating with several utility companies with impacts to all three projects. A critical goal, especially for RTD and the East Rail contractor, was the schedule to close the Peoria St at-grade crossing of the UPRR. From the onset of the project the SEMA team was focused on reaching or beating this goal and made it their priority.

Through SEMA's regular weekly meetings with the project stakeholders many issues were dealt with and SEMA was candid about what could and couldn't get accomplished. **Jud Barlow, Tom Sacke, and Travis Kross** were key role players that worked well with the stakeholders and displayed good communication skills and professionalism to resolve project issues. Jud was particularly good communicating and keeping peace with property owners regarding impacts to their properties and worked well to keep on schedule maintaining construction activities. **Travis** was very approachable and understanding with the stakeholders and designers and did a good job to coordinate and resolve issues that came up. I also would like to acknowledge the leadership of **Tom Welch** from the beginning keeping the SEMA team focused on the goal of maintaining the schedule and being there to work through some of the tough issues. I believe that SEMA was fair in their pricing of change orders which helped with the project budget.

All in all from my perspective and as a representative of RTD, the SEMA team has been good to work with, has communicated well, and kept focused on the goal to open the bridge and close the Peoria at-grade crossing recognizing the importance to RTD and the stakeholders. I would welcome the opportunity to work as a team with SEMA on future construction projects.

Sincerely,



Stephen J. Zgorzynski, PE
RTD Eagle Project Design Manager, Liaison Peoria Crossing Project

Cc: Greg Straight, RTD