CENTER CITY CONNECTOR
SEATTLE, WA
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

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Abstract
This environmental assessment evaluates the impacts associated with the construction and operation of
the Center City Connector, a modern streetcar line as proposed by the City of Seattle Department of
Transportation. The proposed action includes laying new track along Stewart Street and First Avenue in
downtown Seattle linking the existing South Lake Union and First Hill Streetcar lines. In addition, the
proposed action will add six new streetcar vehicles to the existing streetcar fleet, five to six new stations, a
single-track on Republican Street between Westlake and Terry Avenues, and up to two traction power
substations. The proposal will, expand one or both of existing operations and maintenance facilities on
property owned by the City of Seattle. The construction period would be up to 2 years and would be
phased in four segments to minimize construction disturbance.

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