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*Crowded trains expected—fans advised to travel early*

**San Diego, CA** –The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is advising all Chargers fans taking the Trolley to Qualcomm Stadium to travel early for the game against the Seattle Seahawks that begins at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 8th, 2013.

MTS will boost the number of pre- and post-game Green Line trains, which now provide direct service to Qualcomm Stadium from downtown and Santee. Increased service begins at 3:10 p.m. between Old Town and the stadium. After the game, MTS will operate extra Green Line service in both directions as needed.

Chargers fans are strongly encouraged to travel early. Trains will be crowded or at capacity after 5:00 p.m. Passengers attempting to board trains after 5:00 p.m. should expect delays as trains reach capacity at stations closest to the stadium. Regular Green Line riders are urged to travel two hours before kickoff or wait until after the start of the game to avoid congestion.

Passengers should also buy Day Passes before boarding the Trolley on their way to the stadium in order to save time and avoid ticket lines after the game.

Buy a Day Pass on your Compass Card at any ticket vending machines before boarding. The Day Pass is \$5. If you need a Compass Card, there is an additional cost of \$2. Keep your Compass Card for the next time you ride MTS services. One-way tickets can also be purchased at ticket vending machines; \$2.50 for adult one-way or \$1.25 for senior/disabled one-way.

A Commemorative \$6 Day Pass and \$3 Roundtrip ticket for senior/disabled are sold at staffed ticket booths at high-volume stations. The \$6 Commemorative Day Passes are also sold in advance at The Transit Store at First and Broadway, and at the Chargers Team Store at Qualcomm Stadium, Gate G.

Fans heading to Qualcomm via the Trolley can use free park & ride lots at Old Town, Morena, Hazard Center (lower level only), Grantville, Grossmont Center, Amaya Dr. (La Mesa), El Cajon Transit Center, Gillespie Field and Santee Town Center. Orange Line fans should transfer to the Green Line at either Grossmont Center or Santa Fe Depot. Blue Line fans should transfer to the Green Line at the 12th & Imperial Transit Center.

MTS also advises fans to be aware of the Chargers new bag policy limiting the size and type of bag that will be allowed into the stadium. To read more travel tips for the game, visit the MTS

website at <http://www.sdmts.com/Trolley/Chargers.asp>. For further information on special event services, visit [www.sdmts.com](http://www.sdmts.com) or contact 511.

MTS operates more than 90 bus routes and three Trolley lines on 53 miles of double-tracked railway. Every day more than 275,000 passenger trips are taken on MTS services. For more information on how you can use public transportation and save money, go to [www.sdmts.com](http://www.sdmts.com).

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