THE KC STREETCAR HEADS OUT ON MAIN STREET

KC Streetcar #801 is ready to hit the tracks for testing.

WHAT: Just three days after its arrival from Elmira, N.Y., KC Streetcar #801 will roll down the route for the first time on Friday morning. This first test run of the KC Streetcar will check the clearance of the vehicle with the platforms, curbs, corners, overhead wires, streetcar stop shelters and markers. Crews will also conduct visibility checks with the vehicle and the surrounding environment. The public is urged to keep a safe distance from the crews while tests are being performed. Any vehicles seen parked on the tracks during this time will be towed.

WHEN: Friday, November 6, 2015. Estimated start time 3:30 am. Work to take approximately 8-10 hours. Timeframe and work is subject to change. Follow us on twitter for the latest details (www.twitter.com/kcstreetcar).

WHO: Members of the KC Streetcar Constructors, Herzog Transit, the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and the KC Streetcar Authority will work collaboratively on this first test run of the KC Streetcar.

WHERE: The first test run will take place along the entire streetcar route on Main Street from Union Station and through the River Market, including 3rd Street, 5th Street, Delaware and Grand.

HOW: KC Streetcar #801 will be pulled by a tow truck, provided by Midwest Tow, on the tracks and not from the power of the overhead wires. Both the streetcar and the tow truck will be proceeding slowly during these mainline tests. Motorists and pedestrians are encouraged to be patient as testing progresses. Traffic control will be provided by the KC Streetcar Constructors and the Kansas City Police Department.

Since its arrival on Monday, KC Streetcar #801 has gone through a series of systems integration tests including clearance checks within the Singleton Yard Vehicle Maintenance Facility and the non-revenue track of wayside, curve, overhead wires, wheel stops, and track switches.

For onsite media questions, please contact Meghan Jansen with the KC Streetcar Constructors at 816.214.0283. For additional KC Streetcar information, visit the KC Streetcar website at www.kcstreetcar.org or contact Donna Mandelbaum with the KC Streetcar Authority at 816.627.2526 (office), 816.877.3219 (cell), or email at dmandelbaum@kcstreetcar.org. The KC Streetcar is also online on Twitter (@kcstreetcar), Facebook (@kcstreetcar) and Instagram.