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## TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES THREE ADDITIONAL RETAIL SPACES LEASED AT SALESFORCE TRANSIT CENTER

Transit Center Retail Nearly 64 Percent Full; First Stores to Open Fall 2019

**San Francisco, CA** – The Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) today announced that the TJPA Board of Directors unanimously approved three additional leases at the Salesforce Transit Center: Feve Chocolates, Dama (doing business as Acquolina) and Dim Baos.

The three new retailers will join 10 other businesses at the transit center leaving only 16 retail spaces remaining of the original 36. Tenants have now leased nearly 59,000 square feet out of the available 92,000 square feet and many are now conducting tenant improvements.

"Our goal is to provide a diverse mix of retail opportunities at all price points to ensure that the transit center is an accessible and appealing destination for people throughout the Bay Area and beyond," said Mark Zabaneh, Executive Director of the Transbay Joint Powers Authority. "We are excited to see so much interest in doing business at the transit center and look forward to our tenants opening for business."

Fitness SF, Kaiser Permanente, Philz Coffee, Per Diem, Charleys, Venga, Tycoon Kitchen, Foundation Café, Eddie Rickenbacker's and Onsite Dental have already leased space. Philz Coffee will open this Fall in two locations within the transit center.

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**About Feve Chocolates:** Shawn Williams, Executive Chocolatier and Founder, has been hand crafting chocolate in San Francisco for ten years. Feve is a four-time winner of the Good Food Awards®, granted to American food producers who make the kind of food we all want to eat: tasty, authentic and responsibly produced. Their factory is located at 2222 Palou Avenue in San Francisco. Their distribution channels are specialty grocery, gift shops, airports, restaurants, hotels and online. The transit center location would be their first retail outlet.

**About Acquolina:** The planned use for this third location of Dama (doing business as Acquolina) in San Francisco is food service featuring Italian food. Their unique concept is cooking homemade pasta in two minutes in front of the customer. The menu will also feature pizza as well as traditional Italian recipes to allow people to enjoy a taste-full Italian meal in a modern and healthy way. A separate area with table service will be dedicated for customers who prefer to enjoy the experience in a more classic way. Menu prices range from \$5 to \$15. The current main location of Acquolina is at 1600 Stockton Street, and they also run a kiosk at Coit Tower.

**About Dim Baos:** Dim Baos is a unique twist on upscale fast food and food-to-go, featuring the finest ingredients in classic Hong Kong-style dim sum and Gua Bao. Targeted at the area's on-the-go local workers, menu prices range from \$1.25 to \$15. Dim Baos is operated by renowned executive chefs Kam Chiu Leung and Zhong Sheng Huang, who offer a combined background and experience of more than 70 years of excellence.

**About Salesforce Transit Center:** The Salesforce Transit Center is a 21st century, world-class transit center serving transportation systems throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. Bounded by Mission, Howard, Beale and Second streets, the center is owned and operated by the Transbay Joint Powers Authority. Funded by U.S. Department of Transportation, State of California, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, San Francisco County Transportation Authority, City and County of San Francisco, San Mateo County Transportation Authority and AC Transit.

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