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BEFORE THE RAILRCAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the Matter of the Application of the California Highway Commission for order authorizing change of surface crossing and the abandonment of a surface crossing over the tracks of the A.T. & S.F. Ry. Company, near Encinitas and Cardiff. San Diego County, California. MRIGINAL

Application No. 10, 191.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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The California Highway Commission filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 16th day of June, 1924, asking for authority to move the existing grade crossing of the State Highway with the tracks of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company at Cardiff, San Diego County, California, from its present location to a point about one hundred feet to the north opposite Chesterfield Drive at Cardiff. A change of line on the State Highway in connection with the moving of this crossing will relieve this crossing of all through highway traffic and it will henceforth serve only local travel.

In the same application authority is asked to abandon the existing grade crossing of the State Highway with The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company tracks at the easterly prolongation of Crest Avenue in Re-subdivision of Sea Cliff Villa at Encinitas, as the highway line change montioned above makes this crossing unnecessary, the application stating that local travel can be accomodated by the existing crossings over the Santa Fe at Cardiff and in Encinitas.

It appears to this Commission that the present proceeding is not one in which a public hearing is necessary; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable to require a separation of grades at this

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time for local traffic at the relocation of the crossing at Chesterfield Drive, Cardiff, and that the abandonment of the existing crossing on the easterly prolongation of Crest Avenue, Encinitas, is desirable for public safety and for the elimination of a hazard.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to the Highway Commission of the State of California to move the existing highway grade crossing over the tracks of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company at Cardiff from its present location to a point one hundred (100) feet more or less to the north opposite Chesterfield Drive as shown by the map attached to the application, and subject to the following conditions:

(1) The existing public crossing at Cardiff one hundred feet more or less southerly from the prolongation of the centerline of Chesterfield Drive across the tracks of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company shall be legally abandoned and effectively closed to public use and travel.

(2) The entire expense of constructing the new crossing opposite Chesterfield Drive, and the moving of the automatic flagman on the present crossing to this location shall be borne by applicant. The cost of maintenance of the crossing up to lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by applicant. The maintenance of the automatic flagman and of that portion of the crossings between lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company.

(3) The crossing shall be constructed of a width not less than twenty-four (24) feet and at an angle of about eighty(80) degrees to the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than five (5) per cent; shall be protected by the automatic flagman now

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located at the crossing to be abandoned and also by a suitable crossing sign and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereon of vehicles and other road traffic.

(4) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of the new crossing and of the closing of the existing crossing.

(5) If said crossing shall not have been installed within One year from the date of this order, the authorization herein granted shall then lapse and become void, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the existing public crossing of the State Highway with the tracks of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company on the easterly prolongation of Crest Avenue in Resubdivision of Sea Cliff Villa at Encinitas shall be legally abandoned and effectively closed to public use and travel.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossing as to it may seem right and proper and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, the public convenience and necessity demand such action.

This order shall become effective three (3) days from the making thereof.

Dated at San Francisco, Californía, this <u>13</u> day of June, 1924.

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