Decision No. 13972

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, for authority to construct three grade and one undergrade crossings between Helendale and Oro Grande, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California.

Application No. 10,292.

BY THE CONGRESSION:

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The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Reilway Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 18th day of July, 1924, asking for authority to abandon three grade crossings on its present main line track at Engineer Station 1608 + 75.7; Engineer Station 1593 + 15 and Engineer Station 1508 + 05.4, to construct a double track main line at grade across county roads at Engineer Station 1603 + 50 and Engineer Station 1507 + 55; to construct its westbound main track at grade across a county road at Engineer Station 1323 + 48.2, and also to construct an undergrade crossing under its proposed double main track at Engineer Station 1619 + 00; all of which lie between the stations of Oro Grande and Helendale, County of San Bernardino, State of California. The Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County has signified by letter that they will not appose the granting of this application, and 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 at this time to separate grades at the points mentioned in this application where grade crossings are desired, or to avoid grade crossings with said county roads

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and that this application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinafter specified.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company to abendon three grade crossings on its present main track at Engineer Station 1608 + 75.7; Engineer Station 1593 + 15 and Engineer Station 1508 + 05.4, to construct a double track main line at grade across/county roads at Engineer Station 1603 + 50 and Engineer Station 1507 + 55; to construct its westbound main track at grade across a county road at Engineer Station 1323 + 48.2, and also to construct an undergrade crossing under its proposed double main track at Engineer Station 1619 \pm 00; all of which lie between the stations of Oro Grande and Helendale in the County of San Bernardino, State of California.

All of the above as shown by the map (Chief Engineer's No. 283-16504) attached to the application; said crossings to be constructed subject to the following conditions, viz:-

(1) The entire expense of abandoning the existing grade crossings on the present main track and of constructing the new crossings on the proposed tracks, together with the cost of the maintenance of the new crossings thereafter in good and first-class condition for the safe and convenient use of the public, shall be borne by applicant.

(2) The proposed grade crossings shall be constructed of a width and type of construction to conform to those portions of said roads now graded, with the top of rails flush with the roadway, and with grades of approach not exceeding six (6) per cent; shall be protected by suitable crossing signs, and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) Said under grade crossing at Engineer Station 1619 + 00 shall be constructed with a clear width of 24 feet and an overhead clearance of 15 feet as shown on profile ondrawing C.E. No. 283-16504 attached to the application. 202

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(4) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossings.

(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.

(6) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossings 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 after the making thereof.

DATED at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of August, 1924.

COMMISSIONER