Decision No. 14127

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMPUSSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Company, a corporation, for authority, under the provisions of Section 43 of the Public Utilities Act, to construct and thereafter to maintain and operate a railroad track across Soto Street, in the City of Los Angeles.

Application No. 10495.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

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Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 23rd day of September, 1924, asking for authority to construct its passing track at grade across Soto Street, in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as hereinafter set forth.

"Exhibit A" attached to application is a copy of a quitclaim deed dated February 5, 1914, from applicant to City of Los Angeles of a certain tract of land to be used for street purposes; and in this conveyance, applicant reserved the right to construct, maintain and operate additional railroad tracks thereover. As the area in Soto Street upon which it is proposed to locate this proposed track is part of the land so conveyed with such right running to applicant, no franchise or permit from the City of Los Angeles for the proposed track has been Secured.

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 provide a separated grade crossing at the point mentioned in this application, or to avoid a

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grade crossing with said Soto Street and that this application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinefter specified,

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREEY ORDERED, that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad Company to construct its passing track at grade across Soto Street, in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as follows:

> Commencing at a point in the Westerly line of Soto Street in the City of Los Angeles, which point is distant 59 feet southerly from, when measured at right angles to, the South Patent Boundary of City of Los Angeles; thence easterly parallel to said South Patent Boundary to the easterly line of Soto Street; said center line is also 14 feet southerly from and parallel to that certain track No. 225 of the Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railro ad Company known as the "Butte Street Connection".

All of the above as shown by the map (Exhibit B) attached to the application; said crossing to be constructed subject to the following conditions, viz:-

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing, together with the cost of its maintenance thereafter in good and first-class condition for the safe and convenient use of the public, shall be borne by applicant.

(2) Said crossing shall be constructed of a width and type of construction to conform to that portion of said street now graded, with the top of rails flush with the pavement, and with grades of approach not exceeding two (2) 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) Applicant shall, within thirty (50) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing.

(4) If said crossing shall not have been installed within one year from the date of this order, the authorization herein

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granted shall then lapse and become void, unless further time is

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granted by subsequent order.

(5) 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 two (2) days after the making thereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this _____ day of Ottober____, 1924.

Commissioners.