Decision No. 25656

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application) of Motor Carriers Association for) Installation of Exemption signs at) Spur tracks of the Central California) Traction Company in Stockton and) Sacramento.

Application No. 18646.



BY THE COMMISSION:

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ORDER

Motor Carriers Association, representing the certificated passenger automotive stage lines, on January 11, 1933, requested approval, pursuant to the provisions of Section 135 of the Califormia Vehicle Act effective August 14, 1931, of the erection and maintenance of "distinctive or exempt signs" at certain crossings at grade of Central California Traction Company in the cities of Stockton and Sacramento. The crossings involved in Stockton are No. 61-2.83-C (Davidson Spur), No.61-2.85-C (Engineering and Foundry Company Spur), No. 61-2.86-C (Harris Spur), which are spurs leading off from the main line running along the center of Wilson Way. The crossings involved in Sacramento are No. 61-48.75-C (Fair Grounds Spur), and No. 61-48.75 (spur only at intersection of Stockton Boulevard and Second Avenue), which are spurs leading off from the main line located in the center of Stockton Boulevard. In all these instances the crossings occupy only one side of the street crossed and passenger bus movements cross them in one direction only. The train movements over these crossings are at slow speed and at infrequent intervals.

It appears that a public hearing is not necessary in

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this matter and that the application should be granted, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Railroad Commission of the State of California approve the plan to install and maintain "distinctive or exempt signs" in accordance with Section 135 of the California Vehicle Act, at the following crossings of Central California Traction Company's tracks:

Crossing No. 61-2.83-C Wilson Way, Stockton, Davidson Spur.

TT .	61-2.85-0	Wilson Way, Stockton, Engineering & Foundry Co. Spur.
T	61-2.86-0	Wilson Way, Stockton, Harris Spor.
π	61-48.75-C	Stockton Blvd. Sacramento, Fair Grounds Spur.
π	61-49.0	Stockton Blvd. Sacramento, Fair Grounds Spur only.

This approval is granted subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

- (1) Said "exempt signs" shall be in accordance with the requirements of General Order No. 89.
- (2) Said "exempt signs" shall be erected, or cause to be erected, and maintained by those authorities designated and empowered by the California Vehicle Act to erect and maintain highway traffic signs.
- (3) The approval herein granted does not exempt the operator of any vehicle from the observance of any provision of the California Vehicle Act pertaining to the operation of vehicles at rail-road crossings.
- (4) In the event of removal, for any cause whatsoever, or obstruction to view of the "exempt signs" herein provided, the authority granted to move over such spur track crossing, without first coming to a full and complete stop, is annulled and revoked and such full and complete stop must, at all times, be made by the operator of the vehicle until such sign is again displayed.
- (5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders, relative to the establishment of "exempt signs" at said crossings, as to it may seem right and proper and to revoke its approval if, in its judgment, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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The authority herein granted shell become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>20</u> day of February, 1933.

Commissioners.