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Decision No. _____.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of
 LOS ANGELES AND SALT LAKE RAILROAD COMPANY
 for authority to construct and maintain
 at grade a crossing with the Pacific Elec-
 tric Railway Company at a point in Phil-
 adelphia Street, in the City of Whittier,
 Los Angeles County, California; also to
 construct and maintain its railroad on
 overhead structures over the following
 named streets and highways:- Workman Mill
 Road, a Los Angeles County Boulevard,
 Pickering Avenue and Short Street, in the
 City of Whittier, Whittier Boulevard, a
 State highway, and Santa Fe Springs Road;
 also to cross at grade the following
 streets and highways:- Guirado Street,
 Palm Avenue, Magnolia Avenue, Hadley Street,
 Baily Street, Gregory Avenue, Philadelphia
 Street, Penn Street and Sunny Slope Street.

Application No. 2614.

F. E. Pettit, Jr., for applicant

Frank Karr, for Pacific Electric Railway Company

W. W. Patch, for State Highway Commission.

GORDON, Commissioner,

O P I N I O N.

The applicant is building a branch line railroad from Pico, on its main line, to the City of Whittier, and desires to build the crossings applied for in connection with that construction. Of the fourteen crossings proposed five are to be made on overhead structures and nine are to be made at grade. On Philadelphia Street, which is to be crossed at grade, is a double track line of the Pacific Electric Railway Company.

All the parties interested in this matter, that is, the City of Whittier, the State Highway Commission and the Pacific Electric Railway Company have given their consent to the crossings being made, and there seems to be no reason why this application should not be granted. The grade crossings will not be dangerous

at the present time since the train service over the line, for some years at least, will amount to little more than spur track operation.

At the track intersection both companies have agreed to stop all trains and cars before passing over the crossing, and this will be made a condition of the order in addition to the usual conditions and two other minor matters which were discussed at the hearing and agreed to by the applicant.

I recommend the following form of order:-

O R D E R.

LOS ANGELES AND SALT LAKE RAILROAD COMPANY, having applied to the Commission to construct crossings of the city streets of Whittier and the State Highway, county roads in Los Angeles County and the tracks of Pacific Electric Railway Company, and a public hearing having been held, and it appearing that this application should be granted, subject to certain conditions,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, That applicant be and the same hereby is granted permission to construct its tracks over the following named streets and highways, and the tracks of Pacific Electric Railway Company, at the points and in the manner shown by the maps attached to the application: above grade at the Workman Mill Road in Los Angeles County, Pickering Avenue and Short Street in the City of Whittier, Whittier Boulevard (the state highway), and the Santa Fe Springs Road; and to cross at grade the following streets and highways: Guirado Street, Palm Avenue, Magnolia Avenue, Hadley Street, Bailey Street, Gregory Avenue, Philadelphia Street, Penn Street and Sunny Slope Street; and the tracks of Pacific Electric Railway Company: all of the above to be constructed subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:-

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

(2) The overhead crossings shall, in all ways, conform to the Commission's General Order No. 26.

(3) The grade crossings shall be constructed of a width and type of construction to conform to those portions of the streets to be crossed now graded, with grades of approach not exceeding four (4) per cent; shall be protected by suitable crossing signs and shall in every way be made safe and convenient for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(4) All engines, trains, motors and cars of applicant and Pacific Electric Railway Company shall, before passing over the track grade crossing, come to a full stop and shall not proceed until it has been ascertained that it is safe to do so.

(5) The Cypress trees along Magnolia Avenue shall be removed for a distance of 75' on both sides of the center line of the proposed track.

(6) Applicant shall, at its own expense, cause to be constructed a road southerly from its track connecting Bailey Street and Gregory Avenue.

(7) 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, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

The foregoing opinion and order are hereby approved and ordered filed as the opinion and order of the Railroad Commission of the State of California.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day of December, 1916.

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Edwin C. Edgerton
Franz R. Devlin

Commissioners.