Decision No. 20043

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 certain railroad crossings in the vicinity of San Jose, Long Beach, and Chadburn.

Application No. 18824.

BY THE COMMISSION:



<u>ORDER</u>

In the above numbered application the Motor Carriers Association, representing the certificated passenger automotive stage lines, requests approval, pursuant to the provisions of Section No. 135 of the California Vehicle Act, effective August 14, 1931, to erect and maintain distinctive signs, hereinafter referred to as "exempt signs" at certain spur track crossings at grade with public highways and streets in the State of California at locations hereinafter described.

An inspection of these crossings has been made by an engineer of our Transportation Division and his report shows that with the exception of Crossing No. 2-1191.4-C the train movements are slow and infrequent. Crossing No. 2-1191.4-C, however, involves a rather important spur track where the view is impaired. It appearing that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, except that permission should be denied at Crossing No. 2-119.4-C, hereinafter described, 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 No. 135 of

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the California Vehicle Act, at certain spur track crossings at grade in the State of California, particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof, subject, however, 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 caused to be erected and maintained by those authorities designated and empowered by the California Vehicle Act to erect and maintain highway traffic signs.

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- (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 railroad crossings.
- (4) In the event of removal, for any cause whatsoever, or obstruction to view of said "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) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said "exempt signs" and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (6) 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.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the Railroad Commission of the State of California hereby denies, without prejudice, that part of the application seeking its approval to erect and maintain "distinctive or exempt signs" at the crossing of The

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Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company spur track crossing over Girard Avenue, Richmond, leading to municipal wharf, Crossing No. 2-1191.4-C.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this _____day of May, 1933.

Commissioners.

EXHIBIT "A" (Continued)

Crossing Number	Railroad	Jurisdiction of Highway	Location and Remarks
PEERLESS STA	SES:		
D-29.4-C	Southern Pacific Co.	State,	State Highway #5, South of Niles, Cannery Spur.
66-2.52-C	Penn. Ry.	W. of San Jose,	Stevens Creek Rd., Di Fiore Spur.
PACIFIC GREY	HOUND LINES, INC .:		
8F-14.7	Sacramento Northern	State,	Chadburn, Pack- ing House Spur.

EXHIBIT "A"

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> List of Grade Crossings between Spur Tracks and Public Highways where the Commission has given its Approval to Erect and Maintain "Exempt Signs" in Accordance with the Provisions of Section No. 135 of the California Vehicle Act.

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Crossing Number	Reilroad	Jurisdiction of Highway	Location and Remarks	
MOTOR COACH COMPANY, LONG BEACH:				
6V-16.82-C	Pacific Elec. Rwy.	Santa Monica,	Ocean Avenue, One side of Street, only.	
6RCA-17.74-C	Pacific Elec. Rwy.	Torrance,	Redondo Boulevard, One side of Street, only.	
6RC-20.69-C	Pacific Elec. Rwy.	Los Angeles,	Bellport Avenue, Between Torrance and San Pedro.	
61A-19.34-C	Pacific Elec. Rwy.	Long Beach,	Ancheim Street.	
6F-18.14-C	Pacific Elec. Rwy.	El Segundo,,	Coast Boulevard.	
2E-5.9-C	A.T.& S.F.	El Segundo,	Redondo Bouleverd, Bet. Redondo & Torrance.	
3A-17.4-C	L.A.& S.L.	N. of Long Beach	cherry Avenue, Cla Branch Line.	
34-17.9-C	L.A.& S.L.	Long Beach,	Orange Avenue, Old Branch Line.	
EAST BAY MOTOR	COACH LINES, LTD .:			
2-1191.0-0	A.T.& S.F.	Richmond,	Girard Avenue, Storage Track.	
2K-10.36-C	A.T.& S.F.	Emeryville,	Adeline Street, One side of Street, only.	
2K-10.41-C	4.T.& S.F.	Emeryville,	Adeline Street, One side of Street, only.	
10-2.64	Alameda Belt,	Alameda,	Webster Street, Government Base	

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