Decision No. 27004

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for an order authorizing the construction at grade of a spur track across the State Highway in the City of Delano, County of Kern, State of California.

Application No. 19368.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on March 22, 1934, applied for authority to construct a spur track at grade across State Highway Route No. 4 (U.S.99) in the City of Delano, County of Kern, State of California. The necessary franchise or permit (Resolution No. 120) has been granted by the City Council of said city for the construction of said crossing at grade, and the Department of Public Works of the State of California has signified, in writing, that it will not oppose the granting of this application.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide a grade separation or to avoid a grade crossing at the point mentioned and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to construct a spur track at grade across State Highway Route No. 4 (U.S.99), in the City of Delano, County of Kern, State of California, at the location more particularly described in the application and as shown by the map (San Joaquín Division Drawing No. B-4400), attached thereto, subject to the following conditions:

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- (1) The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No. B-279.2-C.
- (2) The entire expense of constructing and thereafter maintaining the crossing in good and first-class condition for safe and convenient use of the public shall be borne by applicant.
- (3) Said crossing shall be constructed equal or superior to the type shown as Standard No. 3 in our General Order No. 72, and shall be constructed without superelevation and of a width to conform to that portion of said highway now graded, with the tops of rails flush with the pavement and with grades of approach not exceeding three (3) per cent, and shall be protected by two (2) Standard No. 1 crossing signs as specified in our General Order No. 75-A.
- (4) No train, engine, motor or car shall be operated over said crossing unless said train, engine, motor or car shall be first brought to a full stop and traffic protected by a member of the train crew or other competent employce acting as flagman.
- (5) Applicant, at its sole expense, shall install, maintain and operate flood lights for the 11lumination of said crossing when a train is approaching and crossing thereover during the night hours, said floodlights to be so arranged that both sides of the train will be adequately illuminated and the flagman plainly visible.
- (6) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (7) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof unless further time is granted by subsequent order.
- (8) 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, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 377/2 day of April, 1934.

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Commissioners.