Decision No. 29351

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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 three spur tracks, one across Commercial Avenue and two across Second Street, in the City of El Centro, County of Imperial, State of California.

Application No. 20903

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on December 5, 1936, applied for authority to construct spur tracks at grade across Commercial Avenue and Second Street in the City of El Centro, Imperial County. The necessary franchise or permit has been granted by the City Council of said City for the construction of said crossings at grade.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide grade separations or to avoid grade crossings at the points mentioned and that the application should be granted subject to certain conditions,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to construct its spur tracks at grade across Commercial Avenue and Second Street, in the City of El Centro, County of Imperial, State of California, at the locations more particularly described in the application and as shown by the map attached thereto, subject to the following conditions:

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The above crossing of Commercial Avenue shall (1) be identified as a portion of Crossing No. EN-699.4-C; the crossing of Second Street shall be identified as Crossing No. BN-699.48-C.

- (2) The entire expense of constructing and thereafter maintaining the crossings in good and first-class condition for safe and convenient use of the public shall be borne by applicant.
- (3) Said crossings shall be constructed equal or superior to the type shown as Standard No. 2, in our General Order No. 72, and shall be constructed without superelevation and of a width to conform to those portions of said streets now graded, with the tops of rails and flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding one (1) per cent, and each crossing shall be protected by two Standard No. 1 crossing signs as specified in our General Order No. 75-A.
- (4) No train, motor, engine or car shall enter upon said crossingsat a speed greater than five (5) miles per hour and unless traffic on the highway be protected by a member of the train crew or other competent employee acting as flagman.
- (5) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossings and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (6) 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.
- (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 authority herein granted shall become effective on

the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of

December, 1936.

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