Decision No. 20759

HEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, for exemption from General Order No. 75-A as to wigwags at Redondo Boulevard crossing on the Venice Short Line. ORIGINAL

Application No. 21116.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>order</u>

The County of Los Angeles proposes to improve the Redondo Boulevard crossing over the tracks of the Venice Short Line of Pacific Electric Railway Company (Crossing No. 6V-6.43), under the provisions of the Commission's General Order No. 88. In connection with this improvement, the plans call for the installation of two automatic signals corresponding to Standard No. 4 of the Commission's General Order No. 75-A (side-of-street installation). In this proceeding Pacific Electric Railway Company seeks exemption from the requirements of Section VI (e) of the Commission's General Order No. 75-A at the above identified crossing. Rail traffic on this line during a twenty-four hour period consists of 161 passenger trains, two mail cars, two express cars and three freight trains, the freight trains averaging five cars each.

Compliance with Section VI (e) of General Order No.75-A would require the installation of track circuits and would add a substantial amount to the cost of the improvement.

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It appears that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the exemption sought should be granted; therefore,

IT IS HEREEN ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby exempted from compliance with the provisions of Section VI (e) of the Commission's General Order No. 75-A at the grade crossing of Redondo Boulevard with applicant's Venice Short Line (Crossing No. 6V-6.43), in the City of Los Angeles, subject, however, to the following condition:

> 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10 day of May, 1937.

ι Commissioners.