

Decision No. 33922

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of Application of SOUTHERN
 PACIFIC COMPANY for authority to curtail
 or eliminate certain crossing protection
 on the lines over which Interurban Elec-
 tric Railway Company operates in Alameda
 County, California, effective upon the dis-
 continuance of operations by said company.)

ORIGINAL
 Application No. 23909

BY THE COMMISSION:

SECOND INTERIM ORDER

Southern Pacific Company in this application seeks authority to curtail or eliminate certain crossing protection on the lines over which Interurban Electric Railway Company operates in Oakland, Berkeley, Emeryville, and Alameda.

By Interim Order in Decision No. 33922 applicant was authorized to modify the crossing protection in the City of Alameda.

Interurban Electric Railway Company has now abandoned, or is about to abandon, its passenger train service on the so-called Dutton Avenue Line in Oakland, and the only remaining service which involves grade crossing protection is freight operation by applicant on portions of this line. The crossings involved are as follows:

In Oakland applicant proposes: (1) to eliminate the two 2-train indicators at the crossing of Tenth Street, but leaving the two wigwags in service (Crossing No. G-10.65); (2) to eliminate existing two wigwags and install floodlights at the crossing of 12th Street (Crossing No. G-10.76), crossing thereafter to be flagged by train crews; and (3) to eliminate existing wigwag at the crossing of 73rd Avenue (Crossing No. G-12.93), and in lieu thereof install two Standard No. 1-A reflectorized crossing signs.

It appears that the request is reasonable and should be granted, with the exception of the protection at the crossing of 12th Street (Crossing No. G-10.76) which should not be removed at this time on account of the large volume of vehicular traffic and a substantial amount of freight train movements over this crossing.

Since Interurban Electric Railway Company has abandoned, or is about to abandon, service on the Dutton Avenue Line, it appears that the application in so far as it relates to this line can be disposed of without a public hearing. That portion of the application relating to crossings in the remaining cities in Alameda County will be disposed of by subsequent order or orders.

Good Cause Appearing, Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized, upon the abandonment of Interurban Electric Railway Company's train service, to:

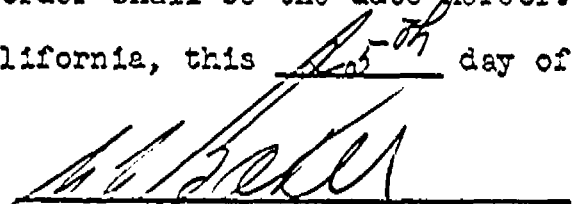
1. Remove 2-train indicators attached to the two existing wigwag signals at the crossing of Tenth Street (Crossing No. G-10.65).
2. Remove the existing wigwag and install two Standard No. 1-A reflectorized crossing signs at the crossing of 73rd Avenue (Crossing No. G-12.93).

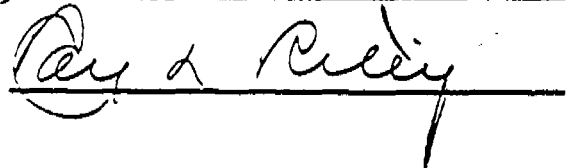
Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission in writing of the completion of changes in crossing protection authorized herein, and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

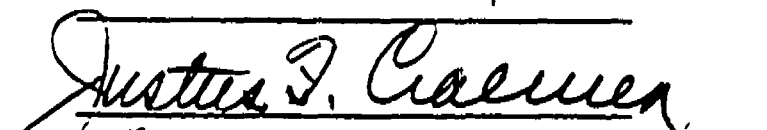

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the request of applicant to remove signals from the 12th Street crossing (Crossing No. G-10.76), is hereby denied.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25th day of March, 1941.







Commissioners