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Decision No. 36938

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of The) Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway) Company, a corporation, for authority to) construct, maintain, and operate a lead) Application No. 25026 track at grade upon and across Shafter) Avenue at Shafter, in the County of Kern,) State of California.) BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>order</u>

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company is authorized to construct a side track at grade across Shafter Avenue near Shafter, Kern County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. 2-905.8. Applicant shall bear entire construction and maintenance expense. Construction of said crossing shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of G. O. No. 72, without superelevation and of a width to conform to the portion of the street now graded, with tops of rails flush with roadway, and with grades of approach not exceeding three per cent. No additional fixed protection is required.

No train, engine, motor, or car shall be operated over said crossing unless traffic on the highway is protected by a member of the train crew or other competent employee acting as flagman.

This authority shall not be construed as relieving applicant from securing the permission of the County of Kern or City of Shafter for the construction of said track across Shafter Avenue.

Within thirty days after completion pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing. This authorization shall become void if not exercised within one year, unless time

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be extended, or if above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety so require. This order shall be effective immediately.

Dated at Sur Francis, California, this 14" day of March_, 1944.