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Decision No. <u>42739</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES 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 EXTENSIONS OF A PASSING TRACK ACROSS ATWATER ROAD AND HEANEY ROAD IN CUBA, MERCED COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

Application No. 30215

<u>order</u>

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company is authorized to construct a passing track at grade across Atwater Road (Crossing No. 2-1062.7) and Heaney Road (Crossing No. 2-1062.5) near Cuba Station, Merced County, at the locations described in the application. Construction of said crossings 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 roads now graded, with tops of rails flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding five per cent. Protection shall be by existing Standard No. 3 crossing signals at Atwater Road and by two Standard No. 1 crossing signs at Heaney Road (G. O. No. 75-B). Applicant shall bear entire construction and maintenance expense.

Said Standard No. 8 signals shall give warning of the approach to and passage over Atwater Road by trains on said passing track but be so controlled as to eliminate, in so far as practicable, unnecessary operation during times that trains are standing on said track. Plan and description of the control circuits shall be filed with the Commission for its approval.

When said passing track is occupied by a train for the purpose of meeting or permitting another train to pass on the adjacent main line track and any portion of said train stands less than 300 feet from either crossing but not blocking the roadway, traffic on the county road affected shall be protected by a competent employee of applicant acting

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Before constructing, applicant shall file permit or other evidence of the consent of Merced County to said crossings.

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 be extended or if above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety so require. The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

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