

ORIGINALDecision No. 48314

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of application of SOUTHERN)
 PACIFIC COMPANY for an order authorizing)
 the construction at grade of spur tracks)
 in and across Cutting Boulevard and)
 Second Street and drill tracks across)
 Atchison Avenue, Fourth Street and)
 Cutting Boulevard in the City of)
 Richmond, County of Contra Costa, State)
 of California.)

Application No. 34073

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company is authorized to construct a drill track at grade within Atchison Avenue and Cutting Boulevard as well as across Fourth Street in Richmond, Contra Costa County, at the locations described in the application. Southern Pacific Company is also authorized to construct a spur track at grade within Cutting Boulevard as well as two spur tracks at grade within and across Second Street in Richmond, Contra Costa County, at the locations described in the application, the grade crossing at Second Street to be identified as Crossing No. A-15.85-C. Construction of said crossings shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of G. O. No. 72, without super-elevation and of a width to conform to the portion of the streets now graded, with tops of rails flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding two per cent. Protection at the Second Street grade crossing shall be by two additional Standard No. 1 crossing signs (G. O. No. 75-B). Applicant shall bear entire construction and maintenance expense.

It is alleged that Atchison Avenue and the portion of Fourth Street in which the trackage is to be constructed are not at present open to public use and travel, and this order is not to be deemed authority for such opening.

The Southern Pacific Company has requested that the Commission authorize deviation from the requirements of Section 3.17 of General Order No. 26-D in constructing the drill track in Atchison Avenue, asserting that the location of said drill track cannot be moved northerly because of a request from The Atchison, Topcka and Santa Fe Railway Company that said track be at least 29 feet distant from an existing track of The Atchison, Topcka and Santa Fe Railway Company in Atchison Avenue. For clearance purposes the applicant is in the process of acquiring a strip of right of way at least two feet in width southerly of the southerly line of Atchison Avenue.

Therefore, authority for said deviation with the requirements of Section 3.17 of General Order No. 26-D is granted providing that the applicant otherwise conform to the requirements of General Order No. 26-D and that the purchase of said strip of additional right of way be consummated on or before the completion of construction of said drill and spur trackage.

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.

Applicant alleges that The Texas Company has indicated urgency in the construction of these tracks since they are required for the handling of construction materials that are now en route. For this reason the effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at ~~San Francisco~~ California, February 25, 1952

A. J. [Signature]
 President
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