Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of the City of Los Angeles, a Municipal Corporation, by and through its Board of Harbor Commissioners, for authority to construct, a grade crossing across Southern Pacific track at Swinford Street in said City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California

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Application No. 48185

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SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

By Decision No. 70623, dated April 26, 1966, the City of Los Angeles was authorized to construct Swinford Street at grade across the track of the Southern Pacific Company, to be identified as Crossing No. 6MA-23.61 in the City of Los Angeles. Two Standard No. 8 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B), supplemented with automatic crossing gates were ordered installed at the crossing, with the provision that the crossing should not be opened to vehicular traffic prior to the installation of such protective devices.

By agreement between the parties involved, Southern Pacific Company is to install the above-mentioned signals, but because of shortage of materials and manpower, it will be at least 2 months before installation can be made.

This crossing will be used by persons travelling between the Los Angeles Harbor and Catalina Island on the steamer which commenced operations May 30, 1966.

By letter dated May 9, 1966, the City of Los Angeles has requested authority for period not to exceed 60 days to open the

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crossing to vehicular traffic, with protection to be provided during periods of peak traffic; namely, from 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. and from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. in the evening, by a uniformed guard who will act as a flagman to warn motorists of the approach or presence of any train at this crossing. Existing traffic signals are to be set to show flashing red lights for all Swinford Street traffic with caution lights for Harbor Boulevard traffic.

Southern Pacific Company has indicated its concurrence in this request, provided the City furnish the guard at its own expense and responsibility and at such additional times as may be required. Southern Pacific Company is to expedite arrangements for the installation of the ordered automatic protection so that it will be in service on or before the end of the 60-day period.

It appears that the request is reasonable.

Good cause appearing, IT IS ORDERED that the last two scattences in ordering Paragraph 2 of Decision No. 70623 are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Protection on a permanent basis shall be by two Standard No. 3 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B) supplemented with automatic crossing gates. However, permission is granted to open said crossing for a period of not to exceed 60 days with protection by two Standard No. 1 crossing signs reflectorized with reflex reflective sheet material until the foregoing permanent protection is installed, provided that during said temporary period a uniformed guard be furnished at the sole responsibility and expense of the applicant, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. and from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. daily, and during such additional

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times as may be required by Southern Pacific Company. Existing traffic signals shall be set to show flashing red lights for all Swinford Street traffic and caution lights for Harbor Boulevard traffic."

In all other respects, Decision No. 70623 shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this <u>8</u>Th day of JUNE _____, 1966.

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Commissioner William M. Bennett, being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.