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Decision No. 75086

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the status, safety operations, protection, use and maintenance of a crossing at grade of the Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company at the corner of Jones Street and Broadway in the City of Santa Maria - Crossing No. 38B-6.0.	Case No. 8857 Filed November 6, 1968

Randolph Karr and J. W. Mullin, Jr., for Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company; John A. VanRyn, for the City of Santa Maria; and William E. Sherwood, for the California Department of Public Works, Division of Highways; respondents.
S. M. Boikan, Counsel, for the Commission staff.

INTERIM OPINION AND ORDER

A hearing was held on the above-entitled matter in Los Angeles on December 5, 1968. During the hearing it was brought out that there is a clear and present danger to the public due to the maintenance of a railroad crossing signal inside the paved highway area. The parties agreed that the following order could be issued forthwith and the question of apportionment of costs determined by a subsequent order herein.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that the Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company shall move the Standard No. 8 flashing light signal located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Broadway (U.S.Highway 101 Bypass, State Route 135) and Jones Streets in Santa Maria eight feet or more east to the southeast corner of said intersection.

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This work shall be done by the railroad and the work of removal shall be commenced within fifteen days after it receives from the Department of Public Works of the State of California a service order or a letter of intent authorizing the railroad to do this work at the Division of Highway's expense. The work is to be pursued diligently to completion and completed as soon as possible after commencement.

The apportionment of the costs of this work is to be determined by the final order in this matter.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of DECEMBER, 1968.

William Symons Jr.
President

Commissioners

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