Decision No. <u>81579</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the City of Claremont for authority to relocate four existing Southern Pacific Railroad crossings on First Street at its intersection of Indian Hill Boulevard, Yale Avenue, Harvard Avenue, and College Avenue.

Application No. 52925 (Filed October 13, 1971)

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<u>O P I N I O N</u>

By its application, as smended, the city of Claremont requests authority to remove the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company (Southern Pacific) along First Street from Cambridge Avenue to College Avenue thereby eliminating the following crossings:

Name	Former Pacific Electric No.	Present Southern Pacific No
Berkeley Avenue	6T-31.51	BB0-514.71
West First Street	61-31.57-C	BB0-514.77-C
Cornell Avenue	6T-31.61-C	BB0-514.81-C
Oberlin Avenue	6 T-31. 69	BB0-514.89
North First Street	6 T-31.73- C	BB0-514.93-C
Indian Hill Boulevard	6 T-31. 77	BB0-514.96
Yale Avenue	6 T-31.8 5	BB0-515.04
Harvard Avenue	6 T-31.93	BB0-515.13
College Avenue	6 T-32.02	BB0-515.21

The proposal is subject to the execution of an operating agreement between the Southern Pacific and The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company (Santa Fe) whereby Southern Pacific and Santa Fe would jointly use the tracks of Santa Fe from Cambridge Avenue to a point east of the College Avenue crossing.

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The proposed elimination of crossings is part of a project which was placed 26th on the grade separation priority list in 1973 by Decision No. 80874 dated December 19, 1972 in Case No. 9423.

After consideration, the Commission finds that the proposed elimination of the crossings is in the public interest.

We find with reasonable certainty that the project involved in this proceeding will not have a significant effect on the environment.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The application is granted subject to the following conditions precedent:

- (a) The city of Claremont, Southern Pacific, and Santa Fe mutually agree to the apportionment of costs relating to the removal of the Southern Pacific tracks, the connection of the Southern Pacific tracks with the Santa Fe tracks, and the compensation to be paid by Southern Pacific for the use of the Santa Fe tracks.
- (b) To the extent necessary, Southern Pacific and Santa Fe request and receive prior approval from the Interstate Commerce Commission.

2. Within ten days after execution of the agreement or agreements, a copy or copies thereof shall be filed with this Commission.

3. Within thirty days after completion applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing. The authorization shall expire if not exercised within two years unless time be extended

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or if above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience and necessity or safety so require.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof. San Francisco

Dated at)	California, this	10th
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Commissioner William Symons, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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