# Decision No. 91154 DEC 18 1979

BEFORE THE FUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF

Application of the CITY OF INDUSTRY for an order authorizing construction of a proposed crossing No. 3-14.32 at separated) grades between Crossroads Parkway North and the tracks of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, sometimes referred to as the "Crossroads Parkway North Overhead"

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

Application No. 58719 (Filed March 5, 1979)

As part of the project for construction of a new interchange on the Route 60 (Pomona) Freeway at Crossroads Parkway, the City of Industry requests authority to construct a grade separation structure, to be known as the "Crossroads Parkway North Overhead," over the tracks of Union Pacific Railroad Company's Main Line in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County.

The California Department of Transportation is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, Public Resources Code, Section 21000, et seq.

After preparation and review of an Initial Study, the California Department of Transportation issued a Negative Declaration and approved the project. On June 29, 1979, a Notice of Determination was filed with the Secretary for Resources which found that "The project will not have a significant effect on the environment."

The Commission is a responsible agency for this project under CEQA and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration. The site of the proposed project has also been inspected by the Commission staff.

The proposed freeway interchange will provide an interconnection between the existing Pomona Freeway and a new local road system which is being constructed as part of the City of Industry's redevelopment plan. The project will improve local and regional circulation access for presently cleared land areas to make it available for development. Additionally, access and safety will be improved for the approximately 1,200 vehicles per day traveling to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District's Puente Hills Landfill No. 6 which is immediately adjacent to the proposed project.

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Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on March 6, 1979. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

### FINDINGS

After consideration, the Commission finds:

1. Applicant should be authorized to construct the "Crossroads Parkway North Overhead" over the tracks of Union Pacific Railroad Company's Main Line in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plans attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing 3-14.32A.

2. Clearances should be in accordance with General Order 26-D; except that during the period of construction, a clearance of not less than 21' O" above top of rail should be authorized and the Union Pacific Railroad should be authorized to operate with such reduced overhead clearance provided that instructions are issued by the railroad and filed with the Commission forbidding employees to ride on top of cars beneath the structure.

3. Applicant should notify the Commission and the Union Pacific Railroad Company at least 30 but not more than 45 days in advance of the date when the temporary impaired clearance will be created.

4. Walkways should conform to General Order 118. Walkways adjacent to any trackage subject to rail operations should be maintained free of obstructions and should promptly be restored to their original condition in the event of damage during construction.

5. Construction and maintenance costs should be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties relative thereto, and a copy of the agreement, together with plans of the crossing approved by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, should be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs of construction and maintenance by further order.

6. The California Department of Transportation is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended.

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7. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration.

8. This project will have no significant impact on the environment.

#### <u>conclusion</u>

On the basis of the foregoing findings, we conclude that the application should be granted as set forth in the following order:

#### <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The City of Industry is authorized to construct the "Crossroads Parkway North Overhead" over the tracks of Union Pacific Railroad Company's Main Line in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County, as set forth in the findings of this decision.

2. Within thirty days after completion, pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing.

This authorization shall expire if not exercised within three years unless time be extended or if the 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 thirty days after the date hereof.

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Dated DEC 18 1979

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