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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY for an order authorizing the construction at grade of an industrial drill track in, upon and across Huntington Drive in the City of Fairfield, County of Solano, State of California.

Application No. 59593 (Filed April 15, 1980)

O P I N I O N

The Southern Pacific Transportation Company requests authority to construct an industrial drill track at grade across Huntington Drive in the City of Fairfield, Solano County.

The Commission 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. The site of the proposed project has also been inspected by the Commission staff.

The proposed industrial drill track will extend rail service to the area lying south of Huntington Drive in an industrial park which is being developed by the Southern Pacific Industrial Development Company. At the present time, all of the existing industries which are located north of Huntington Drive in the industrial park are rail served.

Applicant advises that the industry to be served will require rail service in the very near future. It is, therefore, requested that the usual thirty-day waiting period be waived.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on April 16, 1980. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

F I N D I N G S

After consideration, the Commission finds:

- 1. Applicant should be authorized to construct an industrial drill track at grade across Huntington Drive in the City of Fairfield, Solano County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing A-54.3-C.

2. Construction of the crossing should be equal or superior to Standard No. 4-C of General Order 72-B.

3. Clearances should conform to General Order 26-D. Walkways should conform to General Order 118.

4. Protection at the crossing should be two Standard No. 8-A flashing light signals with cantilevers (General Order 75-C).

5. For a period not to exceed one year from the date of this order, protection at the crossing may be two Standard No. 1-R crossing signs (General Order 75-C). No on-rail vehicle should operate over the crossing unless it is first brought to a stop and traffic on the street protected by a member of the crew, or other competent employee of the railroad, acting as a flagman. The flagman should place a minimum of two fuses on each side of the track prior to entry of the on-rail vehicle into the crossing.

6. Written instructions should be issued by the railroad to trainmen, operating over the crossing, to comply with the flagging instructions. A copy of the instructions should be filed with the Commission within thirty days after installation of the crossing. Suitable signs should be installed on both sides of Huntington Drive, calling the attention of trainmen to the flagging instructions. Flagging procedures outlined herein should remain in full force until the required automatic protection is installed and operative.

7. Construction cost of the crossing and installation cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.

8. Maintenance of the crossing should be in accordance with General Order 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.

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

10. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

11. The industry to be served requires rail service in the very near future; therefore, the usual thirty-day waiting period should be waived.

C O N C L U S I O N

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

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Southern Pacific Transportation Company is authorized to construct an industrial drill track at grade across Huntington Drive in the City of Fairfield, Solano 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 two 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 is the date hereof.

Dated AUG 2 1980 , at San Francisco, California.

John E. Guyon
President

Deborah L. Stegeman

Richard W. Wood

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Commissioners