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Decision No. 92467 DEC 2-1980

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 and an industrial spur track in, upon and across Reeves Street in the City of Carson, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Application No. 59735 (Filed June 16, 1980)

OPINION

The Southern Pacific Transportation Company requests authority to construct an industrial drill track and an industrial spur track at grade across Reeves Street in the City of Carson, Los Angeles 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 been inspected by the Commission staff.

The proposed industrial drill track and industrial spur track will provide rail service to industrial areas being developed by Southern Pacific Industrial Development Company and Carson-Del Amo Associates. Much of the surrounding area is already developed for industrial use with many existing rail_served industries.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on June 18, 1980. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

Findings of Fact

l. Applicant should be authorized to construct an industrial drill track and an industrial spur track at grade across Reeves Street in the City of Carson, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plan attached to the application, to be indentified as Crossing BBM-499.72-C.

- 2. Construction of the crossing should be equal or superior to Standard No. 1 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 automatic 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). The signs should be lettered, both sides, on reflectorized white background. No on-rail vehicle should operate over the crossing unless it is first brought to a stop and traffic on the roadway protected by a member of the train crew or other competent employee of the railroad, acting as a flagman. The flagman should place a minimum of two fusees 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 Reeves Street, calling the attention of trainmen to the flagging instructions. Flagging procedures outlined in Finding 5 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 No. 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.

Conclusion of Law

We conclude that the Application should be granted as set forth in the following order.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- l. Southern Pacific Transportation Company is authorized to construct an industrial drill track and an industrial spur track at grade across Reeves Street in the City of Carson, 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 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 shall be thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated ______ DEC 2- 1980 at San Francisco, California.

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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Commissioners