Decision 00-06-033 June 8, 2000

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order to show cause why the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company and the Union Pacific Railroad Company should not be ordered to comply with California Labor Code section 6906.

Investigation 99-06-005 (Filed June 3, 1999)

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Pub. Util. Code § 1701.2(d) provides that adjudicatory cases shall be resolved within 12 months of initiation unless the Commission makes findings why that deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending that deadline. This proceeding has been categorized as adjudicatory, and the 12-month deadline for resolving this matter is June 3, 2000.

Under Rule 77.7(f)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of draft decisions extending the deadline for resolving adjudicatory proceedings. Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 77.7(f)(4), the otherwise applicable § 1701.2(d) statutory deadline for public review and comment is being waived.

Findings of Fact

- 1. This proceeding was initiated on June 3, 1999.
- 2. Based upon the 12-month statutory deadline, this proceeding must be resolved on or before June 3, 2000, unless this date is extended.
- 3. An extension of the 12-month statutory deadline is needed because of extensions requested by the parties for filing briefs, and because of the complexity of the issues to be addressed.

Conclusion of Law

The 12-month statutory deadline imposed by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.2(d) should be extended until this proceeding is resolved.

IT IS ORDERED that the 12-month statutory deadline in this proceeding, June 3, 2000, is extended until further order.

This order is effective today.

Dated June 8, 2000, at San Francisco, California.

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