PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SAFETY DIVISION
Railroad Safety Branch

RESOLUTION SR-25 April 10, 1991

## RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION SR-25. ORDER AMENDING RESOLUTION SR-21, WHICH AUTHORIZED RULE CHANGES TO GENERAL ORDER 72-B (G.O.72-B)

By Resolution SR-21, dated September 25, 1990, we authorized rule changes to G.O. 72-B (Rules Governing the Construction and Maintenance of Crossings at Grade of Railroads with Public Streets, Roads, and Highways in the State of California), by adopting Standards Nos. 6, 7, 8 and 9. The last sentence of each of these new standards reads, "Crossing surface material shall be securely anchored to the ties". Staff has been informed that surface materials are available which are secured by other methods and are not necessarily anchored to the ties. Also, new surface materials may be developed which may not require anchoring to the ties. In view of the above, the staff recommends that the last sentence reading, "Crossing surface material shall be securely anchored to the ties" be deleted from each of the above Standards.

## THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

The sentence, "Crossing surface material shall be securely anchored to the ties" be deleted from G.O. 72-B, Standards Nos. 6, 7, 8 and 9.

This Resolution shall be effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on April 10, 1991. The following Commissioners approved it:

Vileal J. Shulman Executive Director

PATRICIA M. ECKERT
President
G. MITCHELL WILK
JOHN B. CHANIAN
DANIEL Wm. FESSIER
NORMAN D. SHUMWAY
Commissioners

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Safety Division Railroad Operations & Safety Section Resolution SR-25 February 21, 1991

## RESOLUTION

GRANTING A TEMPORARY VARIANCE FROM THE HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS OF GENERAL ORDER 26D DURING CONSTRUCTION OVER SPUR TRACK SERVING THE LOS ANGELES TIMES PRINTING PLANT AT COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ALONG TRACKAGE OF SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY.

By letter dated December 13, 1990, Southern Pacific Transportation Company, on behalf of Masthead International, Incorporated, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, requests a variance from the height requirement of California Public Utilities Commission General Order 26-D. This request is similar to one authorized by the Commission in Resolution No. SR-14 for press retrofitting at LA Times Northridge Plant.

The following facts are pertinent:

- 1. Masthead International, Incorporated, is a licensed California Contractor selected to do a project for the Los Angeles Times that consists of transporting multipleton press equipment from a truck unloading area across a railroad spur track outside the northern part of the Costa Mesa press facility into the building on its east side. The loading and unloading will be accomplished with steel beam rigging from the unloading area across the track into the building.
- The proposed rigging will have an overhead clearance of twenty-two (22) feet two (2) inches above top of rail and is used to place the equipment onto the loading dock.
- 3. The spur track is a privately owned track served by Southern Pacific Transportation for the purpose of supplying news print to the Los Angeles Times.
- 4. This is a temporary project and the impairment will be removed at the end of the project.

The United Transportation Union has been contacted as an interested party and has expressed no objections to this Resolution.

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IT IS ORDERED that the requested authority is hereby granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. An "Impaired Overhead Clearance" sign will be posted in accordance with Southern Pacific Common Standards, and that this sign will be illuminated at night.
- 2. A sign will be posted adjacent to the "Impaired Overhead Clearance" sign stating that "Crew members will not ride on top of the cars".
- 3. Southern Pacific Transportation Company will issue appropriate clearance and footing notices to all employees who may be affected by this impairment.
- 4. Southern Pacific will also issue instructions to all of its employees who may be affected by this impairment not to ride on top of cars at this location.
- 5. Southern Pacific Transportation Company employees will co-ordinate their switching movements with Masthead International, Inc., or its authorized representative, so that the area is clear of equipment during switching operations.
- 6. The rigging will be removed at the end of this project.
- 7. The Safety Division of the California Public Utilities Commission will be notified of the completion of this project.
- 8. This authority shall expire upon the completion of the project or in two years of this date, which ever comes first.

I certify that the Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular conference on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The following Commissioners approved it: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

MYAL J. SHULMAN Executive Director

I abstain.
DANIEL WM. FESSLER
Commissioner

I abstain.
NORMAN D. SHUMWAY
Commissioner

PATRICIA M. ECKERT

President

G. MITCHELL WILK

JOHN B. CHANIAN

Commissioners