

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RAIL SAFETY & CARRIERS DIVISION
Railroad Safety Branch
Railroad Special Projects Section

RESOLUTION SR-93
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R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION SR-93. AUTHORIZING THE RAILROADS IN CALIFORNIA TO UPDATE COSTS OF MAINTAINING AUTOMATIC GRADE-CROSSING WARNING DEVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1997.

SUMMARY

Public Utilities Code Section 1231.1 requires the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to set aside in its annual budget a minimum of \$1,000,000 into the Automatic Grade-Crossing Protection Maintenance Fund for allocation to the Public Utilities Commission for the purpose of paying to railroads the cities' and counties' share of maintaining automatic grade-crossing warning devices. The maximum allocation to this fund is determined by the California Transportation Commission. \$4,000,000 was dispersed to the railroads last fiscal year.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

One of the steps in distributing funds from the Automatic Grade-Crossing Protection Maintenance Fund requires establishing the cost of maintaining automatic grade-crossing warning devices. The Commission's Decision (D.) 88-01-018, dated January 13, 1988, contains the procedure for determining the costs of maintaining grade-crossing warning devices. In accordance with D. 88-01-018 the railroads submitted on January 13, 1998 the costs for maintenance of automatic warning devices. These costs are not increased from 1992 levels.

FINDINGS

The staffs of the Commission and Caltrans have received the railroads' maintenance costs as follows:

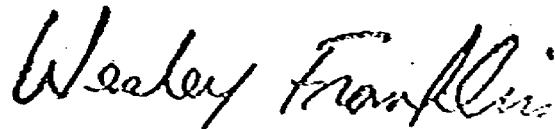
<u>Crossing Type</u>	<u>1997 Annual Maintenance Cost Per Crossing Type</u>
Main line	\$3125
Branch line with gates	2263
Branch line without gates	1130
Other line with gates	1672
Other line without gates	836

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

The railroads are authorized to continue the above costs in effect for purposes of FY 1997/98 Automatic Grade-Crossing Protection Maintenance Funds filings.

This resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on February 19, 1998. The following Commissioners approved it:



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