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File Number: G.10-03-006 Riverside Dr Grade Separation Los Angeles County

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Riverside Drive Grade-Separated Highway-Rail Crossing (CPUC No. 101RI-2.11-A) of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority's River Line Tracks, in Los Angeles County.

Dear Ms. Jones:

This refers to your letter, dated March 25, 2010, received March 25, 2010, requesting authorization, pursuant to Commission General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Riverside Drive Grade-Separated crossing (crossing) of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority's (SCRRA) River Line tracks in City of Los Angeles (City), Los Angeles County, identified as CPUC Crossing Number 101RI-2.11-A. You provided Evidence of Concurrence for the modifications from SCRRA and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) on April 16, 2010.

City proposes to remove two existing substandard Riverside Drive bridge structures, and replace them with one new single curved structure, identified as the Riverside Drive Viaduct. The existing structures are substandard and are not seismically sound. The new bridge structure will meet all the latest design and safety standards.

The new Viaduct structure's centerline is designed to be approximately 60 feet north of the existing bridge structure centerline. The proposed structure over the SCRRA tracks is framed precast concrete box girder. Therefore no false work above the tracks is required during construction. The proposed permanent minimum vertical clearance from bridge soffit to the top of rail is 24 feet.

During construction, City is requesting a temporary minimum 10-foot horizontal clearance between bent 2 shoring and the centerline of adjacent track. Since this is within the requirements of Commission General Order (GO) 26-D, Section 3, a temporary deviation is not needed. The Indrawati Jones G.10-03-006 May 12, 2010 Page 2 of 2

proposed permanent minimum horizontal clearance from face of bents to centerline of adjacent track is 15 feet.

The Commission's Rail Crossings Engineering Section (RCES) investigated the request by City and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As City, SCRRA and Caltrans are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as described in your letter dated March 25, 2010, and summarized above are authorized. Improvements shall comply with all applicable Commission General Orders and the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices published by the California Department of Transportation.

This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Pubic Resources Code 21080.13]

This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence letters by involved parties in support of the time extension. If an extension is requested, RCES may reevaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, City shall notify RCES that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G title Report of Changes at Highway Grade Crossings and Separation. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the CPUC web site Form G page at http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/formg. This report may be submitted electronically to rees@cpuc.ca.gov as outlined on the web page.

If you have any questions, please contact Jose Pereyra at (213-576-7083) or ifp@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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C: William Doran, SCRRA S. Gopinath, Caltrans