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City of Industry, County of Los Angeles

Janet Coke  
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County Sanitation Districts No.2 of Los Angeles County  
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Whittier, CA 90601

Re: **General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the State Route 60 (SR-60) Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 003-14.30-A, DOT No. 811059E in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County.**

Dear Ms Coke:

This refers to your letter, dated August 18, 2010 (received on August 24, 2010), requesting authorization, pursuant to Commission General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify the existing grade separated crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) tracks and SR-60 in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County. The crossing is identified by CPUC Crossing Number 003-14.30-A.

In addition to UPRR freight trains, the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) and the National Passenger Railroad Corporation (Amtrak) operate passenger trains over this line. The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD) originally submitted a GO 88-B request dated April 7, 2010 to modify the SR-60 crossing. However, the request did not contain valid evidence of concurrence from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). LACSD is now resubmitting the original request with concurrence from Caltrans.

The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD) Waste-By-Rail project will transport waste from the Puente Hill Intermodal Facility (PHIMF) to a landfill in Imperial County via rail. To avoid disturbing current railroad operations, LACSD will construct 17,000 feet of railroad track to the north of the existing UPRR tracks. The tracks at this location will be used by the LACSD's PHIMF trains to merge in and out of UPRR's main lines as they arrive and depart the facility. LACSD proposes to install an additional track under the existing SR-60 overhead structure.

The Commission's Rail Crossings Engineering Section (RCES) investigated the request filed by the LACSD, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As LACSD, City, County, and UPRR are all in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as described in your request dated August 18, 2010 and summarized above are authorized.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with Section 8A.05, Temporary Traffic Control Zones, of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), published by the California Department of Transportation.

All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and the CA MUTCD.

Relative to the grade separation, this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Public 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, LACSD shall notify RCES that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G titled *Report of Changes at Highway Grade Crossings and Separations*. 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 [rces@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rces@cpuc.ca.gov) as outlined on the web page.

If you have any questions, please contact Laurence Michael at (213) 576-7076 or [ldi@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:ldi@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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C: John Ballas, City of Industry  
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