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City of Industry, County of Los Angeles

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Brea Canyon Road Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001B-508.00, DOT No 746916A in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County.

Dear Mr. Ballas:

This refers to your letter, dated January 7, 2011 (received January 12, 2011), requesting authorization, pursuant to Commission General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify the existing at-grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) tracks and Brea Canyon Road in the City of Industry, Los Angeles County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001B-508.00 and DOT No 746916A.

Brea Canyon Road is a six lane roadway over the UPRR tracks. Valley Boulevard runs parallel to the tracks and is the signalized intersection adjacent to the crossing. Currently the crossing is equipped with two Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate) and two Commission Standard 9A (Commission Standard 9 with additional flashing light signals over the roadway on a cantilevered arm) warning devices, and raised medians separating the northbound and southbound vehicular approach over the crossing. In addition to UPRR freight trains, the National Passenger Railroad Corporation (Amtrak) operates passenger trains over this line.

The City proposes the following modifications to the crossing:

- Extend the existing raised median north of the tracks up to the intersection of Brea Canyon Road and Valley Boulevard;
- Replace the existing incandescent flashers with 12 inch LED lights;
- Install R3-1 (NO RIGHT TURN) train activated turn prohibition blank out signs for northeast bound Valley Boulevard, per plan;
- Install Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standard detectable warning tactile strips on all sidewalk approaches to the crossing;
- Install a pork chop raised median with Dura-Curb delineators at the driveway located at the at the northeast quadrant of the crossing to prevent motorists from circumventing the warning devices;
- Relocate existing street light to northeast quadrant of the crossing.

The Commission's Rail Crossings Engineering Section (RCES) investigated the request filed by the City, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As the City and UPRR 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 request dated January 7, 2011 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.

This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Pubic Resources Code 21084].

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, the City 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 as outlined on the web page.

UPRR should also submit an updated FRA inventory form to the Federal Railroad Administration, reflecting the changes. CPUC requests a concurrent copy of the updated inventory form be submitted to rces@cpuc.ca.gov.

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

Sincerely,



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C: Freddy Cheung, UPRR
Harry Steelman, Amtrak