

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter E. Market Street Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001BEL-84.04 and DOT No. 752768W in the City of Stockton, San Joaquin County**

Dear Mr. Pennino:

This refers to your letter dated January 22, 2013, received by us on January 25, 2013, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the E. Market Street at-grade crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track in the City of Stockton (City), San Joaquin County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 001BEL-84.04 and DOT No. 752768W.

The E. Market Street crossing is a triple track crossing equipped with two curb mounted Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm) and 2 curb mounted Commission Standard 10 (flashing light signal assembly) warning devices. UPRR operates approximately 20 trains per day at a maximum speed of 50 miles per hour through the crossing.

The proposed alterations as indicated in the request letter and/or shown in the attachments shall consist of:

- Removing the existing third track (Cabral Station Track);
- Relocating the Commission Standard 9 warning devices to the remaining two tracks;
- Replacing the existing Standard 10 warning devices with Commission Standard 8 (flashing light signal assembly) warning devices;
- Re-profiling the roadway on the west side of the crossing;
- Constructing curb and gutters in the northwest and southwest quadrants;
- Installing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant sidewalk across the tracks on both sides of the crossing with ADA compliant detectable warning strips on all sidewalk approaches, located a minimum of 12 feet from the centerline of the track;
- Installing new street signage and striping as shown on plans.

Commission's Rail Crossing Engineering Section (RCES) staff has investigated the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) request, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As SJRRRC, UPRR and the City are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, you may proceed with the improvements as described in your request letter, attachments, and summarized above.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with Section 8A.08, Temporary Traffic Control Zones, of the 2012 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 CA MUTCD.

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

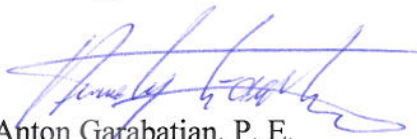
This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence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

Within 30 days after completion of this project, SJRRRC shall notify RCES that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the CPUC web site Form G page at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings>. This report may be submitted electronically to [rces@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rces@cpuc.ca.gov) as outlined on the web page.

At the conclusion of the project, UPRR should submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form to the FRA, reflecting the changes. CPUC requests a concurrent copy of the updated inventory form be submitted to [rces@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rces@cpuc.ca.gov)

If you have any questions, please contact David Stewart at (916) 928-2515 or [atm@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:atm@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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