

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 500
Los Angeles, CA 90013



May 14, 2013

File Number: XREQ 2013040004

Keith R. Cooke
Principal Engineer
City of San Leandro
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, CA 94577

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Hesperian Boulevard Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001D-17.50 and DOT No. 749745L in the City of San Leandro, Alameda County.

Dear Mr. Cooke:

This refers to your request signed on January 18, 2013, and received by us on April 8, 2013, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Hesperian Boulevard at-grade highway-rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track in the City of San Leandro (City), Alameda County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 001D-17.50 and DOT No. 749745L.

Rail Crossing Engineering Section (RCES) staff has investigated the request by the City to alter the crossing and finds the proposed design with sidewalks perpendicular to the railroad impedes the UPRR right of way and deviates from the original Section 130 funding scope. The original plans intended the sidewalks to be parallel with Hesperian Boulevard. Accordingly, your GO 88-B request for authority to alter the referenced crossing is hereby rejected without prejudice.

RCES recommends that the City submit a revised GO 88-B request incorporating the alterations documented in the original Section 130 funding scope along with UPRR concurrence.

If you have any questions, please contact Sia Mozaffari at (415) 703-1815 or sm4@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anton Garabetian".

Anton Garabetian, P. E.
Program and Project Supervisor
Rail Crossings Engineering Section
Safety and Enforcement Division

Cc: James H. Smith – Union Pacific Railroad
Nicole Noronha Castelino – City of San Leandro