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**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter Florin Road Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001BEL-45.84 and DOT No. 752756C in the County of Sacramento**

Dear Ms. Urquhart:

This refers to your revised letter dated May 3, 2013, received by us on May 6, 2013, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Florin Road at-grade highway-rail crossing (crossing) of Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track in the County of Sacramento (County). The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 001BEL-45.84 and DOT No. 752756C.

The single track crossing is equipped with two curb mounted Commission Standard 9A (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm and additional flashing light signals over the roadway on a cantilevered arm) warning devices. UPRR runs approximately 24 freight trains per day at a maximum speed of 60 mph and Amtrak runs approximately 4 passenger trains per day at a maximum speed of 79 mph over the crossing.

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

- Installing unmountable raised medians on both sides of the crossing;
- Installing a median mounted Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm) warning device for eastbound traffic;
- Widening Florin Road to accommodate one 12 foot lane, one 11 ½ foot lane, two 11 foot lanes, and two 5 foot bike lanes;
- Installing sidewalks on both sides of Florin Road;
- Installing new traffic signals at the intersection of Florin Road and McComber Street, approximately 150 feet east of the crossing;
- Installing an advanced pre-emption timing of 53 seconds for the new traffic signals;
- Installing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant detectable warning strips on both sidewalk approaches, located a minimum of 12 feet from the centerline of the track;
- Installing new street signage and striping as shown on plans.

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Commission's Rail Crossing Engineering Section (RCES) staff has investigated the County's request, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As the County and UPRR 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 CA MUTCD, 2012 Edition, 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].

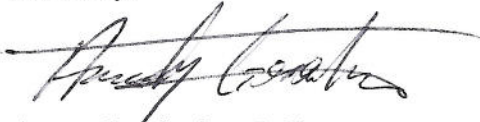
This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence 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, the County 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. Commission 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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