

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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October 3, 2013

File Number: XREQ 2013090004

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**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter Bridge Street At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001A-208.10 and DOT No. 753183A, in the City of Truckee, Nevada County.**

Dear Ms. Bucar:

This refers to your letter dated September 16, 2013, received by us on September 16, 2013, requesting authorization pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter Bridge Street at-grade highway-rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) in the City of Truckee (City), County of Nevada. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 001A-208.10 and DOT No. 753183A.

The crossing is equipped with two Commission Standard 9-A (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm and additional flashing light signals over the roadway on a cantilevered arm) warning devices, two W10-1 advance warning signs, and pavement markings. UPRR operates approximately 18 freight trains per day at 60 mph, and the National Passenger Railroad Corporation (Amtrak) operates 2 passenger trains per day at 79 mph over this line. The average daily traffic on Bridge Street is 9900 vehicles.

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

- Installing sidewalk on the west side of the crossing;
- Installing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant detectable warning tiles;
- Installing "Look For Train" pavement markings in advance of the detectable warning tiles;
- Installing additional pedestrian channelization on the south side.

Commission's Rail Crossing Engineering Section (RCES) staff has investigated the City's request, 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, you may proceed with the improvements as described in the request letter and attachments, and summarized above.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with section 8A.08, Temporary Traffic Control Zones, of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), 2012 Edition, published by the California Department of Transportation.

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All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission GOs 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].

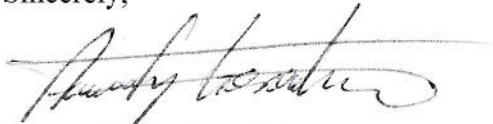
This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence 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, 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](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 Bree Arnett at (916) 928-2516 or [bpa@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:bpa@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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C: Terrel Anderson, UPRR