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SENT VIA E-MAIL

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter State Route 50, Natoma Overhead Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 083E-19.01-A and DOT No. 753550F in the City of Folsom, County of Sacramento

Dear Mr. Ratajczak:

This refers to your letter dated June 6, 2014, received by us on June 10, 2014, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the State Route 50, Natoma Overhead (OH) grade separated crossing of the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SRTD) track in the City of Folsom (City), Sacramento County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 083E-19.01-A and DOT No. 753550F.

The State Route 50, Natoma OH crossing is currently a single track grade separated crossing. SRTD operates approximately 59 trains per day at a maximum speed of 55 mile per hour through the crossing.

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

- Widening the eastbound Folsom Boulevard on-ramp to provide a High Occupancy Vehicle lane; and
- Widening the Natoma OH approximately 40 feet and constructing an acceleration lane.

Permanent and temporary minimum vertical and horizontal clearances, proposed by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), comply with Commission GOs 95 and 143-B requirements for the overhead bridge structure.

Commission's Rail Crossing Engineering Section (RCES) staff has investigated the Caltrans request, and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As Caltrans and SRTD 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 California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (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.

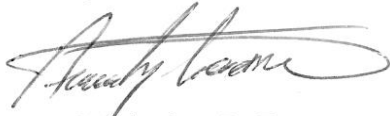
This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended [California Public Resources Code 21080.13].

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, Caltrans 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 Separation*. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the Commission web site Form G page at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/safety/Rail/Crossings/formg.htm>. This report may be submitted electronically to rces@cpuc.ca.gov as outlined on the web page.

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

Sincerely,



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