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August 25, 2016

File Number: XREQ 2013080010TE
Raymond Avenue
City of Fullerton, Orange County

Yelena Voronel, P.E.
City of Fullerton – Project Manager
303 West Commonwealth Avenue
Fullerton, CA 92832

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Time Extension Request for XREQ 2013080010 Raymond Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 002B-45.00 and DOT No. 026581A, in the City of Fullerton, County of Orange.

Dear Ms. Voronel:

This refers to your letter, dated on August 4, 2016, received by us on August 22, 2016, requesting a time extension to grade-separate the Raymond Avenue highway-rail crossing (crossing) of the BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) mainline 2B – San Bernardino to Fullerton tracks in the City of Fullerton (City), County of Orange. The crossing is identified as CPUC No. 002B-45.00 and DOT No. 026581A.

The original authorization was granted on September 5, 2013, and will expire on September 5, 2016. Construction of the project has been delayed due to conflict on advanced utility relocations and discovery of contaminated materials. The City is requesting additional time to complete the grade-separation project. BNSF provided concurrence to the time extension request.

The California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated the request by City and finds that there has been no substantial change in circumstances since granting the original authority. Since BNSF and City are in agreement and have no objection to the requested time extension, you may proceed with the alterations as previously authorized by the Commission on September 5, 2013, with a three-year time extension. This authorization shall expire on September 5, 2019.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, City shall notify RCEB that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a 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/crossings>. This report may be submitted electronically to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov.

The new crossing identification numbers for the completed grade-separated crossing will be CPUC Crossing No. 002B-45.00-B and DOT No. 929158H. The existing crossing identification DOT No. 026581A shall be retired.

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At the conclusion of the project, BNSF should electronically submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form (Form F6180.71) reflecting the changes. Commission requests a concurrent copy of the updated inventory form be submitted to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov.

In all other respects, the original authorization for improvements remains in full force and effect. Should the work not be completed by September 5, 2019, RCEB may require a new General Order 88-B application for the crossing modifications.

If you have any concerns, please contact Chi Cheung To at (213) 576-5766 or at cct@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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cc: **(SENT VIA EMAIL)**
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Kumari Bharil, OCTA