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File Number: XREQ 2015010010
Veterans Boulevard
City of Fresno, Fresno County

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Re: Time Extension and Modification Request for XREQ 2015010010 to Construct the Veterans Boulevard Grade-Separated (Overhead) Highway-Rail Crossing Over the UPRR Tracks in the City of Fresno, Fresno County.

Dear Mr. Mozier:

This refers to your letter, received by us on January 31, 2018, requesting an extension of time to comply with the provisions of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B approval letter XREQ 2015010010, issued on March 9, 2015. The approval letter authorized the construction of the Veterans Boulevard grade-separated (overhead) highway-rail crossing (crossing) over the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) tracks. The crossing shall be identified for the UPRR tracks as CPUC Crossing No. 001B-196.70-A and for the CHSRA tracks as CPUC Crossing No. 135S-183.21-A. Both sets of tracks shall share DOT No. 440861R.

UPRR and CHSRA provided concurrence to the modification and time extension request.

Engineers for the project state that a delay in project completion was caused by the necessity to redesign the overhead structure from a 3-span to a 2-span structure to provide for ease of maintenance and inspection and the relocation of high voltage electrical transmission lines. The design plans for this project have been changed to incorporate the redesign.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated this time extension request, including the review of the revised design plans. The clearances meet or exceed the originally authorized design. Since UPRR and CHSRA are in agreement and have no objection to the requested time extension and modification, you may proceed with the new modifications with a three year time extension. This authorization shall expire on March 9, 2021.

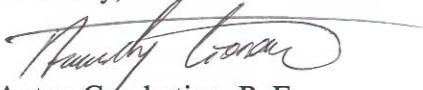
In all other respects, other than the revised sections of the plans incorporating redesign, the approval letter issued on March 9, 2015 shall remain in full force and effect.

Should the work not be completed by March 9, 2021, RCEB will require a new GO 88-B application for the crossing modifications.

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If you have any questions, please contact Marvin Kennix at (916) 928-3809 or email at mlk@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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