

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2019050001  
Redlands Interstate 10 Overhead  
City of Redlands, San Bernardino County

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**SENT VIA E-MAIL**

**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Redlands Interstate 10 Overhead Grade-Separated Highway-Rail Crossing Identified as CPUC Crossing Number 002U-9.50-A (101SG-66.19-A) and DOT Number 027249W, in Redlands, San Bernardino County.**

Dear Mr. Ramirez:

This refers to your letter dated May 23, 2018 and received by us on April 24, 2019, requesting authorization pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC/Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify the grade-separated Redlands Interstate 10 (I-10) Overhead crossing (crossing) over the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink/SCRRA) track in Redlands (City) San Bernardino County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 002U-9.50-A (101SG-66.19-A) and DOT Number 027249W.

The crossing consists of five traffic lanes in each direction over one mainline railroad track owned by the San Bernardino County Transit Authority (SBCTA) and maintained by SCRRA.

The crossing is part of the Redlands Passenger Rail Project (Project). Currently there is no rail traffic at the crossing. However, once the Project is complete, Metrolink is expected to operate approximately four trains per day at a maximum speed of 50 miles per hour (MPH). An additional 50 Project trains are expected to travel through the crossing at a maximum speed of 50 MPH. The new rail service will be operated by Omnitrans. The average daily traffic at the crossing is approximately 166,000 vehicles.

The SBCTA, in cooperation with SCRRA, proposes the following alterations as indicated in the request letter and/or shown in the attachments:

- Remove existing track and replace with two new tracks;
- Install new 10-foot access road 11-foot 6-inches minimum horizontal clearance from proposed tracks;
- Install new cast-in-drilled hole pier protection walls on north side of the crossing;

All proposed permanent clearances will comply with Commission GO 26-D minimum clearance requirements. SBTCA did not request any temporary clearance reductions.

RCEB investigated the request filed by the SBCTA and finds that it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As SCRRA, SBCTA and Caltrans are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as described in your request letter received by us on April 24, 2019, and summarized above, are authorized. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and the current version of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, published by the California Department of Transportation. The SBCTA and SCRRA must complete all the proposed alterations mentioned above for RCEB to consider this GO 88-B application closed.

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

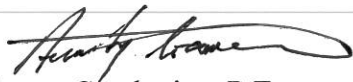
This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with, or if the proposed project is not completed, within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to this office, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence letters by involved parties in support of the time extension. If an extension is requested, RCEB may reevaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, SBCTA shall notify RCEB 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/crossings/>. This report may be submitted electronically to [rceb@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rceb@cpuc.ca.gov).

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

If you have any questions, please contact Sergio Licon at (213) 576-7085 or [sal@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:sal@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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