

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2017010003TE  
Garfield Avenue  
City of Commerce, County of Los Angeles

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**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**Re: Time Extension Request for XREQ 2017070003 to Alter the Garfield Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing in the City of Commerce, County of Los Angeles.**

Dear Mr. Swindle:

This refers to your letter, dated November 6, 2019, received by us on January 22, 2019, requesting a time extension to complete the alterations of the Garfield Avenue highway-rail at-grade crossing (crossing), identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001BBJ-492.85 and DOT Number 761607A, in the City of Commerce (City), County of Los Angeles (County).

The original authorization was granted on February 8, 2017, which expired on February 7, 2020. As of November 6, 2019, construction was anticipated to commence by June 2020 and be completed by September 2020. Therefore, County of Los Angeles is requesting a time extension to complete construction.

The California Public Utilities Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated the request by the County and finds that there has been no substantial change in circumstances since granting the original authority. Since the County, City, and Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) are in agreement and have no objection to the requested time extension, you may proceed with the alterations with a three-year time extension. This authorization shall expire on February 7, 2023.

UPRR must ensure that Emergency Notification Systems signs are installed to comply with CFR 234.309.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, the County 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 Separation*. 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) as outlined on the web page. In all other respects, the original authorization and the additional improvements and requirements authorized in the original authority dated February 8, 2017, remains in full force and effect.

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Should the work not be completed by February 7, 2023, RCEB will require a new GO 88-B application for the crossing modifications. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Cervantes at (213) 266-4716 or [mci@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:mci@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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