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E. Church Avenue



June 5, 2020

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File Number: XREQ2017080010TE

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Re: Time Extension Request for General Order 88-B Authorization XREQ2017080010 to Alter the E. Church Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001B-207.20 and DOT Crossing No. 757389N in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno.

Dear Mr. Armistead:

This refers to your letter dated May 7, 2020, received by us on May 13, 2020, requesting an extension of time to comply with the provisions of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B approval letter XREQ2017080010 issued on September 15, 2017. XREQ2017080010 authorized the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) to construct an overpass, following the elimination of the existing E. Church Avenue at-grade highway-rail crossing (crossing), over two Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) tracks and two proposed CHSRA high-speed rail tracks in the City of Fresno (City), County of Fresno. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing No. 001B-207.20 and DOT Crossing No. 757389N.

The GO 88-B authorization will expire on September 15, 2020. CHSRA is requesting an extension of 36 months to complete the alteration of the crossing. UPRR and the City have concurred with the requested time extension.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) has investigated the time extension request and finds that there has been no substantial change in circumstances since the granting of the original authority. RCEB has no objections to the requested extension.

In consideration of the above, CHSRA is granted an extension of time to September 15, 2023, to complete the alterations of the crossing. In all other respects, the approval letter issued on September 15, 2017 shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Sincerely,

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