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March 23, 2021

File Number: XREQ 2015040003TE
Valley View Avenue
Cities of Cerritos, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs
Los Angeles County

Mario Zamorano, Jr. Associate Right of Way Agent California Department of Transportation – District 7 100 South Main Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Time Extension Request for XREQ 2015040003 to Grade-Separate the Valley View Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing, CPUC Crossing No. 001BK-502.30 and DOT No. 748132E, in the Cities of Cerritos, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs in Los Angeles County

Dear Mr. Zamorano:

This refers to your letter, dated February 2, 2021, received by us on February 25, 2021, requesting a time extension to grade-separate the Valley View Avenue highway-rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Los Nieto Subdivision, Santa Ana Industrial Lead tracks in the Cities of Cerritos, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs (Cities) in Los Angeles County. The crossing is identified as CPUC No. 001BK-502.30 and DOT No. 748132E.

The original authorization was granted on May 8, 2015, with an initial expiration date of May 8, 2018. A time extension was granted on March 19, 2018, which expires on May 18, 2021. Construction of the project has been delayed due to unforeseen weather, environmental, and site conditions. California Department of Transportation District 7 (Caltrans) is requesting additional time to complete the grade-separation project. The Cities and UPRR provided concurrence to the time extension request.

The California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated the request by Caltrans and finds that there has been no substantial change in circumstances since granting the original authority. Since Caltrans, the Cities, and UPRR 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 May 8, 2015, with an additional three-year time extension. This authorization shall expire on May 18, 2024.

In all other respects, the original authorization for improvements remains in full force and effect. Should the work not be completed by May 18, 2024, RCEB may require a new General Order 88-B application for the crossing modifications.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, Caltrans 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

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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. 001BK-502.30-A and DOT No. 441020D. The existing crossing identification DOT No. 748132E shall be retired.

At the conclusion of the project, UPRR 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 reeb@cpuc.ca.gov.

If you have any concerns, please contact Matthew Cervantes at (213) 266-4716 or at mci@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch

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