

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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California Avenue  
City of Industry, Los Angeles County

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**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**Re: Amendment to General Order 88-B Authorization XREQ 2017010002 to Alter the California Avenue At-Grade Highway-Rail Crossing in the City of Industry, County of Los Angeles.**

Dear Mr. Swindle:

This refers to your letter dated July 22, 2021, received by us on August 2, 2021, requesting to amend the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC/Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B authorizations to alter the California Avenue highway-rail at-grade crossing (crossing), identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001B-499.60 and DOT Number 746908H, in the City of Industry (City), County of Los Angeles.

The Commission Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) issued a letter dated February 6, 2017, which authorized alterations to the crossing. At the request of Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LACDPW), RCEB issued a three-year time extension authorization letter dated March 9, 2020.

LACDPW requests an amendment to the original GO 88-B authorization, dated February 6, 2017, with the following alterations, as described in the request letter and shown on the plans:

- Create a center queueing lane for northbound vehicles, with associated striping.
- Relocate delineators west of center queueing lane and extend delineators approximately 200 feet north of the crossing.
- Modify pavement markings and signage plans north of the crossing.
- Reassign existing center lane traffic queue loops as queue-cutter preemption loops.
- Install vehicle queue-cutter detection camera.
- Modify the traffic signal operation to accommodate northbound queue-cutter detection for the California Avenue and Valley Boulevard intersection, with railroad preemption set to higher priority.

RCEB investigated the request by LACDPW and finds that it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As LACDWP, the City, and UPRR agree as to the amended design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, LACDPW may proceed with the alterations as described in the request letter, attachments, and summarized above. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and the current version of the California Manual on Uniform

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Traffic Control Devices, published by California Department of Transportation. This authorization shall expire on February 5, 2023.

In all other respects, the authorization in the original authority dated February 6, 2017, and the subsequent time extension issued on March 9, 2020, remains in full force and effect. Should the work not be completed by February 5, 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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