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## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2021040005 Rosa Street Pedestrian Overpass City of Solana Beach, San Diego County

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## **SENT VIA E-MAIL**

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the Rosa Street Pedestrian Overpass Grade-Separated Rail Crossing, Identified as CPUC Crossing Number 106-242.10-D, and DOT Crossing Number 943897P, in the City of Solana Beach, San Diego County.

Dear Ms. Anderson:

This refers to your letter dated and received by us on April 14, 2021, requesting authorization pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC/Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B to modify the Rosa Street Pedestrian Overpass grade-separated rail crossing (crossing) at the North County Transit District (NCTD) Coaster track in the City of Solana Beach (City), San Diego County. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 106-242.10-D and DOT Crossing Number 943897P.

The crossing consists of a pedestrian overpass over one set of railroad track. The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) plans to construct an additional railroad track at the crossing. NCTD operates and maintains the railroad tracks.

SANDAG proposes to make the following alterations, as discussed in the request and shown on the plans:

- Shift existing mainline track and extend existing siding track through the crossing, with a minimum of 15 feet between track centers.
- Remove existing power-operated turnout and install a power-operated crossover.
- Modify railroad signal system, Control Point Valley MP 242.2.
- Construct drainage ditches on each side of the railroad right of way.
- Construct 11 feet 6 inches wide access road and retaining wall on the west side of the railroad right of way.

The minimum vertical and horizontal clearances shall comply with Commission GO 26-D. No temporary clearance exceptions are requested.

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

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated the request filed by SANDAG and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As SANDAG, the City, and NCTD are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO

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88-B, the improvements as described in your request dated April 14, 2021, and summarized above, are authorized. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including all Commission General Orders.

This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to RCEB, 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 re-evaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, SANDAG shall notify RCEB that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the Commission web site at <a href="http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings/">http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings/</a>. This report may be submitted electronically to <a href="receb@cpuc.ca.gov">receb@cpuc.ca.gov</a>.

At the conclusion of the project, NCTD shall submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form (Form F6180.71) to the FRA, reflecting the changes.

If you have any questions, please contact Howard Huie at howard.huie@cpuc.ca.gov or (415) 308-0533.

Sincerely,

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cc: **(SENT VIA E-MAIL)** 

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