

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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2021050006, 2021050007  
I-710 and Ocean Bl – Overhead  
City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County

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## SENT VIA EMAIL

**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify Four Grade-Separated Highway-Rail Crossings at the Interstate 710 Highway and Ocean Boulevard Overheads in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County**

Dear Mr. Luzzi:

This refers to your letter, dated March 22, 2021 and received by us on March 29, 2021, requesting authorization pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify four grade-separated highway-rail crossings (crossings) identified in Table 1, over the Pacific Harbor Line (PHL) Long Beach Subdivision in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County.

**Table 1. Crossing Names and Identification Information**

Authorization No.	CPUC Crossing Nos.	DOT No.	Crossing Roadway Name
XREQ 2021050004	120L-19.27-A	929354P	L16 I-710 Southbound Off Ramp OH
XREQ 2021050005	120L-19.30-A	929355W	L17 I-710 Northbound Ramp OH
XREQ 2021050006	120L-19.31-A	761566X	L18 Ocean Boulevard Off Ramp OH
XREQ 2021050007	120L-19.32-A	761569T	L19 Ocean Boulevard OH

The Port of Long Beach (POLB) proposes to construct one additional track paralleling the three tracks located east of Pico Avenue and west of the Interstate 710 Highway (I-710). The existing tracks shall be identified (in order from west to east) as Track 8, Track 9, and Track M1. The new track shall be identified as Track M2. The permanent horizontal clearances between tracks comply with the Commission GO 26-D minimum clearance requirement of 15 feet measured between the centerline of parallel tracks. All tracks meet GO 26-D minimum horizontal clearance requirements from structures, including the proposed retaining wall to the east of Track M2 and inner guard rails at the Ocean Boulevard Overhead crossing column. The vertical clearances for all four tracks exceed the GO 26-D minimum clearance requirement of 22 feet and 6 inches through the crossings.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) investigated the request by POLB and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As POLB and PHL are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as

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described in your request letter, dated March 22, 2020, and summarized above are authorized. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and the current version of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), published by California Department of Transportation. All of the proposed alterations mentioned above must be completed for RCEB to consider this GO 88-B application closed.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the CA MUTCD.

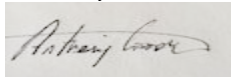
This project is statutorily exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended [California Public Resources Code §21080.13].

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, POLB 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 Commission web site at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Crossings>. This report may be submitted electronically to [rceb@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rceb@cpuc.ca.gov).

If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Cervantes at (213) 266-4716 or at [mci@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:mci@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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