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Etiwanda Avenue

City of Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Grade Separate the Etiwanda Avenue Rail Crossing

Dear Mr. Welday:

This refers to your letter dated November 29, 2022, received by us on December 6, 2022, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to grade separate the Etiwanda Avenue at-grade rail crossing of the Southern California Regional Railroad Administration (SCRRA) tracks, in the City of Rancho Cucamonga (City), County of San Bernardino.

The at-grade crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 101SG-44.14 and DOT Number 026151P. The grade-separated crossing will be identified as CPUC Crossing Number 101SG-44.14-A and DOT Number 977309A.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the City. As the City and SCRRA agree on the alterations and apportionment of costs under the provisions of GO 88-B, the following alterations as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments are authorized:

- Construct a ninety-foot-wide roadway consisting of four lanes and two six-foot six-inch wide sidewalks above the tracks.
- Remove the existing BNSF Railway spur track that is outside the SCRRA right of way and realign the remaining portion of said track within the SCRRA ROW to allow for construction of the bridge.

The project proposes a minimum permanent vertical clearance of 25 feet 5 inches from the top of rail and a permanent horizontal clearance of 9 feet 6 inches from the centerline of the nearest track to the pier. No temporary clearance reductions are requested during construction. All proposed permanent clearances comply with minimum clearance requirements specified in Commission GO 26-D.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), published by the California Department of Transportation. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and CA MUTCD.

This authorization shall expire if the full scope of alterations is not complete within three years of the date of this letter. City may request a time extension at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The time

extension request shall include evidence of agreement by involved parties. This authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety requires.

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 following requirements pertain to this authorization:

- The crossing configuration and operational characteristics at each stage during construction shall be altered as described and specified in the request letter and the staging plan attachments.
- The at-grade crossing shall be eliminated by removing all pavement approaches, crossing surface, railroad signal equipment, traffic control devices, and railroad warning devices upon the completion of grade-separated crossing.
- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, City and/or SCRRA shall notify RCEB of the alterations by submitting a Form G to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov. Form G requirements and forms are available on the CPUC web site at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings>.
- SCRRA shall electronically submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form (Form F6180.71) to the FRA per 49 C.F.R. § 234.411(c).

If you have any questions, please contact Sergio Licon at (213) 503-4866 or sergio.licon@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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