

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2023090005
East Woodward Avenue
City of Manteca, San Joaquin County

Kevin Jorgensen II
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City of Manteca
1001 West Center Street
Manteca, CA 95337

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the East Woodward Avenue At-Grade Rail Crossing

Dear Kevin Jorgensen II:

This refers to your letter dated September 13, 2023, received by us on September 22, 2023, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the East Woodward Avenue at-grade rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks, in the City of Manteca (City), County of San Joaquin. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001B-99.20 and DOT Number 752435V.

The crossing is an east-west, two-lane roadway that consists of two tracks. The crossing is equipped with two curb-mounted Commission Standard 9 (flashing light signal assembly with automatic gate arm) warning device assemblies.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the City. As the City and UPRR 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:

- Widen the existing two-lane roadway to accommodate four 11-foot-wide travel lanes and two 8-foot-wide bike lanes.
- Install a 14-foot-wide unmountable raised median on both sides of the crossing.
- Remove the existing Commission Standard 9 warning devices and install two curb-mounted and two median-mounted Commission Standard 9 warning devices.
- Install traffic signals at the intersection of East Woodward Avenue and Moffat Boulevard, interconnected with railroad pre-emption as outlined in request letter.
- Install WAIT HERE pavement markings in the two east-bound travel lanes.
- Widen the concrete panel crossing surface.
- Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)-compliant signage and pavement markings, including W10-1 and W48 (CA) advance warning signs, R8-8 "DO NOT STOP ON TRACKS", R10-6 "STOP HERE ON RED", R10-11

“NO RIGHT TURN ON RED” signs, R3-1 “NO RIGHT TURN’ blank out signs, and “RXR” and railroad limit pavement markings.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the 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. The City may request a time extension to complete the project in writing to RCEB at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The time-extension request shall include evidence of agreement by all involved parties. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety requires.

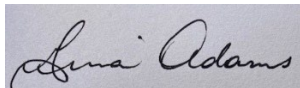
This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Public Resources Code §21084].

The following requirements pertain to this authorization:

- The crossing shall have the configuration and operational characteristics as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments.
- The City and/or UPRR shall notify RCEB at least 45 days prior to the date that the new or modified interconnection is placed in service by sending notification to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov.
- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, the City 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 Form G page at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings>.
- UPRR 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 David Stewart at (415) 806-0490 or David.Stewart@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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Rail Safety Division

cc: **(SENT VIA EMAIL)**
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