

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2023100013
I-15 Fwy (Vina Vista) OH
Ontario, San Bernardino County

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**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the I-15 Fwy (Vina Vista) OH
Grade-Separated Rail Crossing**

Dear Sal Chavez:

This refers to your letter dated October 11, 2023, received by us on October 11, 2023, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the I-15 Fwy (Vina Vista) OH grade-separated rail crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks, in the City of Ontario (City), County of San Bernardino. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001B-526.20-A and DOT Number 903147V.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA). As SBCTA 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:

- Widening the I-15 overhead bridge structure for a combined total crossing length of 207 feet over the UPRR right-of-way.
 - 14 feet 8 inches west of the I-15
 - 14 feet 7 inches east of the I-15
- Construct a pier protection wall on Bent 2, south of the UPRR tracks.

SBTCA proposes a minimum permanent vertical clearance of 22 feet 7 inches from the top of rail for all new construction as well as a permanent horizontal clearance of 13 feet 9 inches from the centerline of the southern UPRR track to the pier protection wall. 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 3 years of the date of this letter. SBCTA 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:

- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, SBCTA 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>.
- 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 Sergio Licon at (213) 503-4866 or sergio.licon@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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