

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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3rd Street  
City of West Sacramento, Yolo County

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**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the 3rd Street Rail Crossing**

Dear Joanna Ortiz:

This refers to your letter dated May 2, 2024 and received by us on May 28, 2024, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the 3rd Street rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track, in the City of West Sacramento (City), County of Yolo. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001A-88.40 and DOT Number 750900K.

Because of unforeseen circumstances, Commission Rail Crossings and Engineering (RCEB) staff is late in submitting this approval letter.

The crossing is a north-south 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 devices.

The CPUC'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:

- Install Commission Standard 8 (flashing light signal assembly) pedestrian warning devices at the pedestrian sidewalk approaches in the southwest and northeast quadrants of the crossing.
- Install an additional flashing light signal pair on the existing Commission Standard 9 in the northwest quadrant aimed at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- Install six-foot-wide sidewalks on the east and west sides of the crossing.
- Install four-foot-wide emergency exit path sidewalks around both curb mounted Commission Standard 9 warning devices.
- Install ADA compliant detectable warning strips on all sidewalk approaches located a minimum of 12 feet from the centerline of the nearest track.
- Install fencing in all four quadrants to channelize pedestrians.
- Bulb out the curbs in the southeast and southwest quadrants for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and D Street intersection.

- Install crosswalks with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps at the adjacent intersections with D Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- Construct a pork chop median island at intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- Reconstruct the curb and gutter in all quadrants.
- Install channelization devices on both crossing approaches.
- Install California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) compliant W10-1, W10-2, and W48 (CA) “2 TRACKS” advance warning signs, R15-8 “LOOK” signs, R8-8 “DO NOT STOP ON TRACKS” signs, R3-2 “NO LEFT TURN” sign, and “RXR” and railroad limit pavement markings as shown on the plans.

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 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 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.
- 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](mailto: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 David Stewart at (415) 806-0490 or [David.Stewart@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:David.Stewart@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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