

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Slater Avenue

City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County

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Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Slater Avenue Rail Crossing

Dear George Chen:

This refers to your letter dated January 10, 2025, received by us on January 13, 2025, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Slater Avenue rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track, in the City of Los Angeles (City), County of Los Angeles. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 001BBG-491.50 and DOT Number 760558C.

The crossing is a north-south, one-lane roadway that consists of one track. The crossing is equipped with two curb-mounted Crossbuck Assemblies with Yield signs.

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:

- Remove existing Crossbuck Assemblies with Yield signs.
- Install two Commission Standard 9 (Flashing Light Signal Assembly with Automatic Gate Arms) warning devices.
- Install pedestrian detectable warning tiles on the sidewalk approach on the northeast and southeast quadrants.
- Reconstruct the concrete sidewalk in the northeast and southeast quadrants.
- Install pedestrian barricades on the northwest and southwest quadrants.
- Install new concrete crossing panels for the entire length of the crossing.
- Install additional street lighting.
- Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)-compliant signage and pavement markings, including applicable warning and regulatory signs.

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. 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 Christopher Palas at (213) 999-3403 or christopher.palas@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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