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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO ESTABLISH AN ARRAY OF PUBLIC RAIL/HIGHWAY GRADE CROSSINGS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. RR-00000E-16-0014

DECISION NO. _____

ORDER

Arizona Corporation Commission
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Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) Sections 40-337.02 and 40-337.03 relate to the allocation of funds for the installation of automatic warning signals and devices at public railroad grade crossings and the determination of locations where the installation of automatic warning signals should occur on that date.

2. A.R.S. Section 40-337.03 enables the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission), which has the exclusive power to determine and prescribe the manner and terms of installation of warnings at each railway crossing pursuant to A.R.S. Section 40-337, to establish an array of public railroad grade crossings to plan for the orderly installation of automatic warning signals and devices.

3. Although numerous hazard index formulas have been proposed over many years to assess the relative hazard of a grade crossing based upon some combination of its characteristics, no one such formula, or combination thereof, has universal acceptance. The development of the array and the determination of the warnings to be installed at crossings also involve the exercise of judgment.

1 2. Pursuant to the Commission's exclusive power over railway/highway crossings, the
2 array shall establish the public grade crossings in Arizona at which changes in signalization may be
3 made under A.R.S. Sections 40-337, *et seq.*

4 ORDER

5 THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the array established in Decision No. 74987, as well as
6 the crossings listed on Attachment 1, be and hereby is approved.

7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

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9 **BY THE ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

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CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER

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COMMISSIONER

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15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive
16 Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have
17 hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this
18 Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix,
19 this _____ day of _____, 2016.

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JODI JERICH
21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

22 DISSENT: _____

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24 DISSENT: _____

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2 DOCKET NO. RR-00000E-16-0014

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Attachment 1

2016 Array for Railroad-Highway Safety Projects in Arizona
Proposed by Arizona DOT, January 22, 2016

DOT Number	RR	RRMP	Location	City In/Near	County	Scope of Work	Estimated Cost
025422P	BNSF	186.76	Carnelback Road/43rd Ave/Grand Avenue US60)	Phoenix	Maricopa	Upgrade railroad surface. Construct Civil work required for new gate/flasher units.	\$1,000,000
025931L	ARZC	105.45	18th Street	Parker	La Paz	Upgrade railroad surface.	\$160,000
742041D	UPRR	1049.54	Court Street	Nogales	Santa Cruz	Upgrade railroad signals.	\$143,000
741418Y	UPRR	956.00	Della Road. 3.2 miles north of SR87-SR287 along Arizona Blvd.	GRIIC	Pinal	Upgrade railroad signals	\$300,000
741436W	UPRR	967.87	Storey Rd	Coolidge	Pinal	Upgrade railroad signals	\$300,000
Subtotal							\$1,903,000

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ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
SAFETY DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

TO: THE COMMISSION

FROM: Robert Marvin
Director
Safety Division

DATE: January 28, 2016

**RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION
COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO ESTABLISH AN ARRAY
OF PUBLIC RAIL/HIGHWAY GRADE CROSSINGS THROUGHOUT
THE STATE OF ARIZONA (DOCKET NO. RR-00000E-16-0014).**

The Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission), pursuant to law, submits to the railroad Companies, Cities, Counties and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), an array of Public Rail/Highway grade crossings where the installation of automatic warning signals or devices should be considered. This array is used as a planning tool by these agencies and railroads for grade crossing upgrades. Staff recommends that the previous array approved by the Commission in Decision 74987, dated March 16, 2015, be reaffirmed and that four (4) additional crossings be added to the array. The four (4) additional crossing upgrades were identified by Staff after consultation with ADOT and the Federal Highway Administration.

ORIGINATOR: Chris Watson



Infrastructure Delivery and Operations

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January 22, 2016

Arizona Corporation Commission
Attn: Chris Watson
1200 W Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Subject: Federal Funding of 2016 Railroad-Highway Crossing Array

Dear Mr. Watson,

Enclosed is the proposed 2016 array for new Railroad-Highway Crossing projects in the State of Arizona.

DocuSigned by:
Jason Pike
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Sincerely,

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