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**Public Utilities
Commission of Ohio**

Memo

To: Docketing Division
From: George Martin, Grade Crossing Planner, Rail Division
Re: PUCO Case No. 08-239-RR-FED Request of Norfolk Southern Railway for an extension time to complete a grade crossing project in Seneca County
Date: March 18, 2009

By its Entry of March 19, 2009 the Commission ordered, in part, that Norfolk Southern Railway (NS) install an active grade crossing warning device at Seneca County, near Bellevue, CR 32, DOT# 481-624S not later than March 19, 2009.

On March 16, 2009 NS filed in this docket a request for a thirty day extension of time, until April 18, 2009, within which to complete this project. NS states that the installation is nearly complete except for the installation of AC power. NS further states that the power hook up is currently being coordinated.

Staff recommends that the request submitted by NS should be granted for two weeks only. Staff submits that NS made notification of the start of construction on January 19, 2009, and that utility coordination should have commenced at that time if not sooner. Staff further recommends that no further extension requests for this project be considered. Staff notes that NS can supply power at this location by use of a generator should it fail to complete this project by the extended deadline. Finally, staff recommends that NS be reminded of the importance of timely extension requests.

C: Legal Department

Please serve the following parties of record.

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