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Mr. George Martin  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Rail Division  
180 East Broad Street  
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Re: 09-491-RR-FED, US 30 crossing upgrade, 503-455W

Dear Mr. Martin:

Ohi-Rail Corporation would like to request an eight (8) day extension on the above referenced project. The crossing surface has been replaced and the signal contractors are working to complete the final wiring of the flashers at the crossing. Two issues have delayed the project.

First, the original project specification required that new signal conduit be placed adjacent to the new crossing surface. When the original roadway surface was uncovered at the beginning of the project, it was discovered that the base of the existing roadway was concrete and not asphalt. In order to maintain sufficient load-bearing support for US 30, ODOT officials indicated to Ohi-Rail that they did not want to remove the existing concrete base. The concrete base was too close to the new crossing panels and approach ties to allow the new conduit to be located as originally specified. This change in specification required that the signal contractor bore a new conduit under the road, which necessitated contacting the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS). Instead of laying the conduit on June 12 or 13, the conduit could not be bored until June 17. No wiring could be installed until after the conduit was bored.

Secondly, the signal contractor had several delays in the delivery of the required equipment. There was a slight delay in the delivery of the crossing controller. Additionally, when the signal contractor went to the manufacturer's facility to pick up seven insulated joint bars, the

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manufacturer only had 5 joint bars available at that location. They had to make a second trip to pick up the remaining two joint bars.

We feel that these two issues were beyond the control of both Ohi-Rail and the signal contractor and are sufficient reasons for requesting an extension for this project. Although the signal contractor has indicated that they should be able to complete the project by the June 24, 2010 deadline, we feel that an extension would allow additional time to account for any further unforeseen circumstances that might occur.

Please feel free to contact me at (330) 407-0594 or [cpjacobs@ohirail.com](mailto:cpjacobs@ohirail.com) if you have any questions.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Jacobs', is positioned above the printed name.

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