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VIA FACSIMILE AND OVERNIGHT MAIL

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793
Fax No.: 614-466-0313

Re: In the Matter of the Authorization of the Norfolk Southern Railway

to Install Active Grade Crossing Warning Devices in Cuyahoga County.

PUCO Case No. 11-10-RR-FED Our File No: N1432/176814

Dear Docketing Clerk:

Attached for filing is a Request for Extension of Construction Deadline.

I confirm that, via overnight mail, we are forwarding to you the original document plus seven copies.

Please call me – at (419) 241-6000 – if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Warning Devices in Cuyahoga County.

Case No. 11-10-RR-FED

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION DEADLINE

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Railway Company

Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("Norfolk Southern") respectfully requests an extension of time of thirty (30) days – through February 11, 2012 – within which to complete the construction projects at the Lewis Road and the Columbia Road/State Route 252 grade crossings (523-835H and 523-836P, respectively) in Olmsted Falls, Cuyahoga County.

A memorandum in support is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

By Entry of January 11, 2011, the Commission authorized Norfolk Southern to install active grade crossing warning devices at the Lewis Road and the Columbia Road/State Route 252 grade crossings located in Olmsted Falls, Cuyahoga County, with an assigned project completion deadline of January 12, 2012.

Substantial progress has been made -e.g., material has been delivered and inventoried, power service installed, and conduit and curb work, etc. performed at both crossings. Project completion has been delayed, however, due to a number of factors, including: complications with the conduit work at the Columbia Avenue crossing; ongoing utility concerns (a pole relocation) at the Lewis Street crossing; and the presence of four adjacent crossings impacted by the involved installations (signal interplay, etc.) that also require testing, plus heavy rail traffic.

In light of the above, Norfolk Southern respectfully requests that the deadline for completing these two projects be extended thirty (30) days, through February 11, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing Request for Extension of Construction Deadline was emailed this 29 day of December, 2011, to: Leah Thomas-Dalton, Chief, PUCO Rail Division, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215; and Susan J. Kirkland, Manager, Safety Programs, c/o Ohio Rail Development Commission, 1980 West Broad Street, 2nd Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43223; and mailed to Robert Blomquist, Mayor, 26100 Bagley Road, Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138; and Harvey Wagner, Ohio Edison Company, 76 S. Main Street, Akron, Ohio 44308.

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