

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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To:

Docketing Division

George Martin, Grade Crossing Planner, Rail Division

Re:

In the matter of the authorization of the Columbus & Ohio River Railroad to install an active

grade crossing warning device in Coshocton County

Date:

May 30, 2013

The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) has authorized funding for the Columbus & Ohio River Railroad (CUOH) to install mast-mounted flashing lights and roadway gates in Coshocton County, in Oxford Township, CR 254, DOT# 517369R. The crossing was surveyed on September 21, 2012, due to its hazard index, and was found to warrant the upgrade.

The project will be paid for with federal funds, and is actual cost. As the plan and estimate for the project has been submitted and approved, staff requests an Entry with completion due in nine months. Construction may commence at once. Staff requests that the following language be incorporated in the Entry:

It is expected that all work necessary for FHWA acceptance of the warning devices will be completed by the in-service due date and that the railroad will be responsible for this work. This work includes, but is not limited to:

Any ancillary work to make the warning devices function as designed and visible to the roadway user, and

MUTCD compliance, including minor roadway work if necessary.

A suggested case coding and heading would be:

PUCO Case No. 13- 1279 -RR-FED In the matter of the authorization of the Columbus & Ohio River Railroad to install an active grade warning device in Coshocton County

C: Legal Department

Please serve the following parties of record.

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OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO:

George Martin, PUCO

FROM:

Cathy Stout, Manager, Safety Section, ORDC

BY:

Mike Forte, Project Manager, ORDC

SUBJECT:

Grade Crossing Warning Device Project

County Road 254, CUOH U.S. DOT 517 369R Coshocton County

DATE:

May 30, 2013

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) established a diagnostic survey at the subject location on September 21, 2012. The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) attended the review. The Diagnostic Team recommended the improvement of warning devices to flashing lights and roadway gates. A copy of the diagnostic review form is attached.

PE has already been provided by the railroad. ORDC approves the site plans and estimates as provided. Please issue a construction-only order for the subject project. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that an approved estimate may contain entries for items or activities that may be cited and found to be ineligible for federal participation during the project audit.

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- any ancillary work to make warning devices function as designed and visible to the roadway user, and
- MUTCD compliance including minor roadway work if necessary.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Attachments: Diagnostic Review

Plan & Estimate

c: George Martin, PUCO – M. Forte' (file)