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Ms. Jill Henry
Transportation/Rail Division
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Ms. Henry:

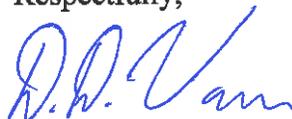
(In Re: Case Number #16-2457-RR-FED)

I have been talking with Jim Tucker about the situation we have at Arrow Road and Arbor Road in Minerva, i.e. the lights and gates installations that are to be completed by October 25, 2017. We had to terminate our contract with Railway Traffic Control (our signal contractor) due to many reasons. The primary reason was we discovered, after RTC completed and tested the project, that the lights and gates did not operate properly. We had low confidence that RTC could remediate the problem, so we brought in an outside consultant who reviewed the original RTC engineering and also the installation. He discovered that the original engineering was not correct.

We are well into the process of reengineering and probable component and wiring replacement to get the systems functioning properly. One problem that has arisen is that the company we are working with, Alstom, just merged with Siemens, another big signal company, and their personnel are in a transition period and difficult to contact. Until we can get with them to finish the engineering and determine what components and extra wiring are needed to straighten out the problem, we can't do much.

I am not sure we can have all of this done before the October 25, 2017 deadline. I am, therefore, requesting a 30-day extension to complete the projects for both grade crossings.

Respectfully,



Denny D. Varian
General Manager

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Summary: Request In the Matter of the Installation of Active Warning Devices at Ohi-Rail Crossings, DOT#503-473U, Arrow Road/CR 15, & DOT#503-324T, Arbor Road/CR 14, in Carroll County, Ohio. electronically filed by Mrs. Jill A Henry on behalf of OHI Rail Corp.