Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Memo

To: Docketing Division

From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division

Cc: PUCO Legal Department

Date: 2/1/18

Re: PUCO Case No. 18-198-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for the Installation of Active Warning Devices at the Columbus & Ohio River Railroad Crossing, West Street DOT#510-602Y in Tuscarawas County, Ohio.

On May 30, 2017, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for Columbus & Ohio River Railroad (CUOH) to install lights and gates at West Street, DOT#510-602Y in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. The crossing was surveyed on October 13, 2016 and found to warrant the upgrades. The electric utility provider for this crossings is AEP Ohio.

The project will be paid for with federal funds and is actual cost. The plans and estimates for the project in the amounts of \$115,913.76 for the installation of lights has been approved. Construction may commence at once. **Staff requests a Finding & Order with completion of the project in nine months.** Staff requests that the following language be incorporated in the Finding & Order:

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 <u>railroad will be responsible</u> 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.

Please serve the following parties of record:

Northeast Region-Genesee & Wyoming John Connelly Vice President Transportation 400 Meridian Centre Ste. 330 Brighton, NY 14618

Columbus & Ohio River Railroad Daniel Birrell Supervisor C&S 47849 Papermill Road Coshocton, OH 43812

Ohio Rail Development Commission Cathy Stout Safety Manager 1980 West Broad Street Mail Stop #3140 Columbus, Ohio 43223

Village of Newcomerstown Patrick Cadle Mayor 124 West Church Street Newcomerstown, Ohio 43832

AEP Ohio

OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO:

Randall Schumacher, Supervisor, Rail Division, PUCO

FROM:

Cathy Stout, Manager, Safety Section, ORDC

BY:

James Tucker, Project Manager, ORDC

SUBJECT:

Tuscarawas County, West Street, Columbus & Ohio River Railroad

DOT#510602Y, PID#104283

DATE:

November 29, 2017

The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) established a diagnostic survey at the subject location on October 13, 2016. The Diagnostic Team recommended to upgrade the existing warning devices to lights and gates. Copies of the diagnostic review form and the plan and estimate are 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 project outlined above for nine months. This construction authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that any field work needs prior approval before work begins. 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.

Attachment:

Diagnostic Review

Plan & Estimate

c:

Jill Henry, PUCO Susan Arduni, ORDC ORDC Project Manager (file)



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November 29, 2017

Mr. John Connelly Vice President Transportation Northeast- Genesee & Wyoming 400 Meridian Centre ste.330 Brighton, NY 14618

RE: Tuscarawas County, West Street, DOT#510602Y, PID#104283

Dear Mr. Connelly:

The bid process for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. Columbus & Ohio River Railroad (CUOH) may proceed with the construction of the proposed grade crossing warning system in accordance with the abbreviated plan. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that the 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. Reimbursement of eligible actual cost is limited to \$115,913.76. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted but must be confirmed in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

This authorization is contingent upon CUOH accepting the following instructions:

- 1. CUOH's project foreman will furnish written notification five (5) working days prior to the date work will start at the project site to James Tucker, ORDC, email james.tucker@dot.ohio.gov, and to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, email jill.henry@puco.ohio.gov. CUOH's project foreman will also notify the same of any stops and re-starts of the work activity and of the date work was completed for the project.
- 2. CUOH will arrange for utilities to be located at the project site by the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) prior to any construction activities at the site. Utilities that are not participating members of the service must be contacted directly by CUOH.
- 3. CUOH's project foremen will notify James Tucker at 614-398-6897 (telephone) or james.tucker@dot.ohio.gov (email) of any changes in the scope of work, cost overruns, material changes, etc. which are not included in the approved plan and estimate and secure approval of same before the work is performed.
- 4. Open cut of roadways is *not permitted* except in unusual circumstances and must be coordinated with the local highway authority and preapproved by ORDC.



- 5. CUOH will furnish two (2) copies of each partial bill to ORDC. Please find the enclosed Purchase Order to reference when billing.
- 6. CUOH will furnish two (2) copies of the final all-inclusive bill to ORDC stating the exact dates of starting and completing work, the initial and final dates of construction and location where the accounts may be audited.
- 7. This installation will include any ancillary work to make the warning devices function as designed and meet MUTCD.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Sincerely,

James Tucker,

Project Manager

Attachment: ODOT P.O.

C: Randall Schumacher, Supervisor, Rail Division, PUCO Jill Henry, Grade Crossing Planner, PUCO

ORDC (file)





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August 10, 2017

Mr. John Connelly Northeast-Genesee & Wyoming Vice President Transportation 400 Meridian Centre ste.330 Brighton, NY 14618

RE: Tuscarawas County, West Street, DOT#510602Y, PID#104283.

Dear Mr. Connelly:

The plan and estimate transmitted 6-26-17 and 8-10-17, for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. Columbus & Ohio River Railroad may proceed with soliciting bids for the proposed grade crossing warning system in accordance with the abbreviated plan. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that the 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.

A construction authorization will be sent once the bid documents have been received and approved. No field work may be started without a construction authorization from this office.

Sincerely,

C: Randall Schumacher, Supervisor, Rail Division, PUCO

George Martin, PUCO, Grade Crossing Planner

ORDC (file)



West St Newcomerstown OH 510602Y estimate

Crossing package including all field material &labor	\$140,000.00
4 channel NVR camera system with battery backup	\$1,700.00
100 amp power service	\$2,200.00
Engineering services including plans	\$5,000.00
AEP aid to construction costs	\$1,000.00
Flagging costs	\$5,000.00
Total	\$154,900.00

West St Newcomerstown OH 510602Y material list

6x6 crossing case prewired.

10 NiCad 255AH cells B12 bank

9 NiCad 350AH cells OL bank

PMD-4R 300911-031

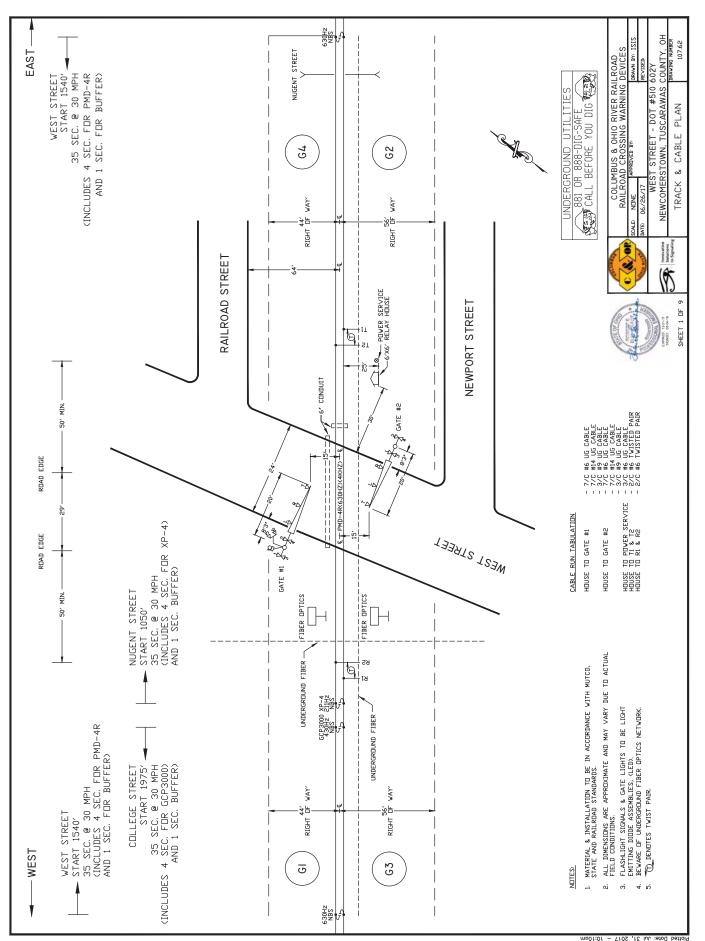
Two complete LED flasher assemblies with WCH 3593E gate mechs

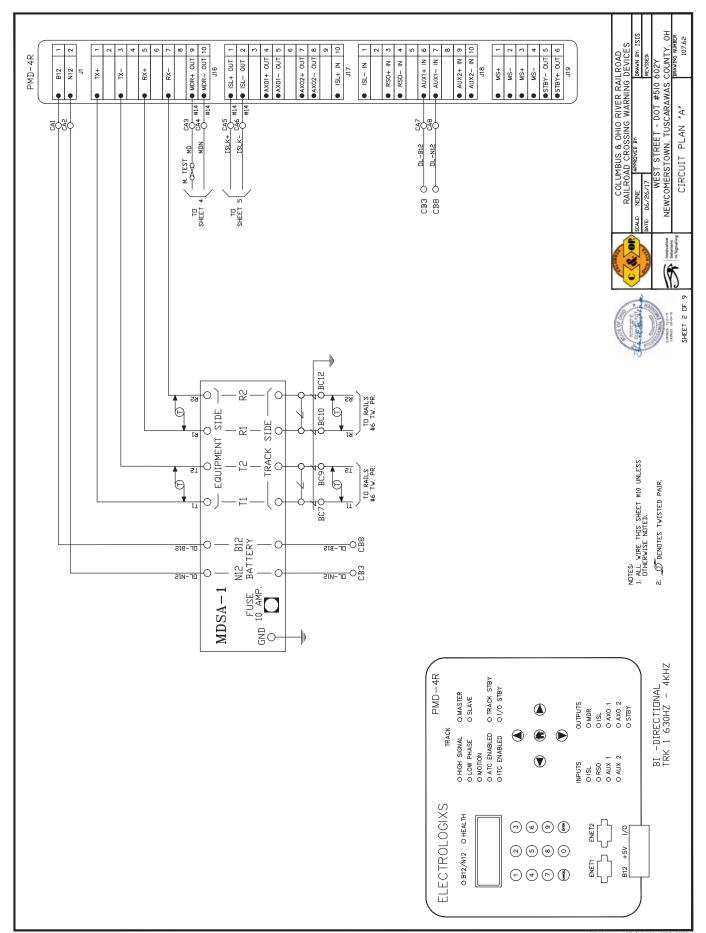
Two NEG gate arms with LED light kits.

NASS data recorder with DTMF control

4 channel NVR camera system with battery backup

100 amp power service





PROGRAM INFORMATION PMD-4R

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Parameter Name	lrack
Approach Length	1540 ft
Approach Frequency	630Hz
Transmitter Check Value (-7.0 to 13.0 Ohms)**	
Master/Slave Option	Master
Approach Direction Mode Uni/Bi	ADL(Bi)
Lumped Impedance Adjustment Value (-9 to +9)**	
LOS Time (seconds)	ADL(16 sec)
False Shunt Detection Enable/Disable	ADL(Disable)
False Shunt Detection RX Level	ADL(80 RX)
False Shunt Detection Delay Time	ADL(0 min)
Approach Release Enable/Disable	ADL(Disable)
Approach Release RX Level	ADL(80 RX)
Approach Release Delay Time	ADL(0 min)
Constant Warning/Motion Detector Mode	ADL(MD)
Requested Warning Time*	30 sec
Advance Preempt Time*	0 sec
AUX Recovery Delay	ADL(5 sec)
Parameter Name	
Site ID	FDL(West Street)
Approach Track Circuit Enable/Disable	FDL(DISABLED)
Maximum Approach Track Disable Time	FDL(2 hours)
Approach Transmitter Gain	FDL(Zero (0))
Normal, Short, and Very Short Approach	FDL(Normal)
Transmitter Check Adjustment	FDL(Zero (0))
Ballast Compensation Value	148
Phase Compensation Value	FDL(Zero (0) Degrees)
Auto RX	FDL(Enabled)
Island Type	FDL(Internal)
Island Track Circuit Enable/Disable	FDL(Enabled)
Island Frequency (KHz)	4KHz
Island Transmitter Gain	FDL(0)
Island LOS (seconds)	FDL(2 sec)
Island Fault Setting	FDL(2)

Note: ADL = Application Default Setting
PDL = Factory Default Setting
NA = Non Applicable

* = Limited Predict Mode Only
** = Field Adjustment to be made according to the
PMD-4R Instruction Manual and supplements

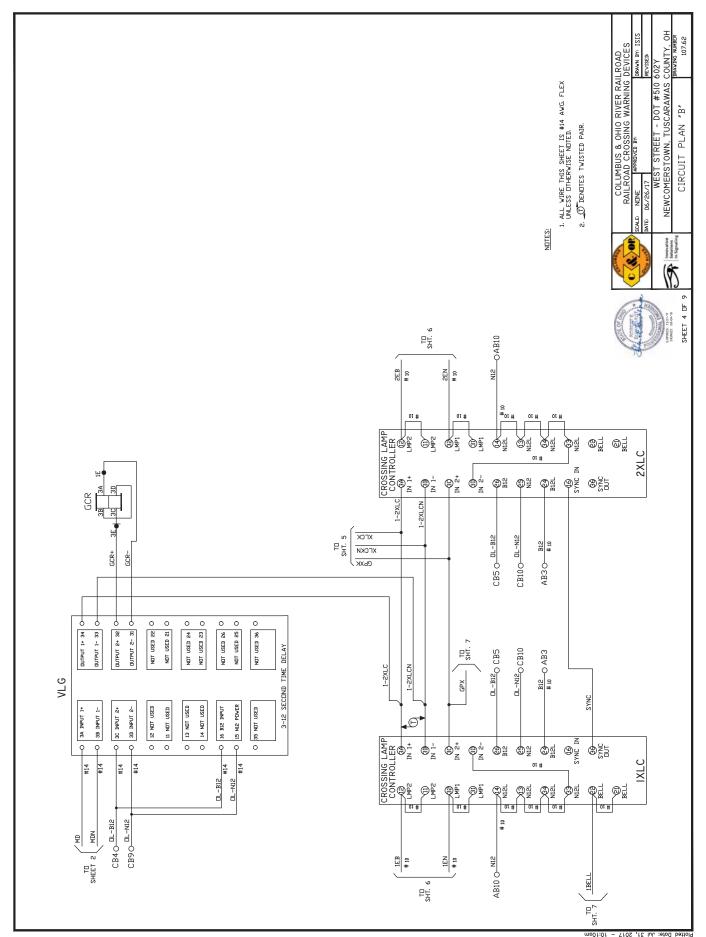


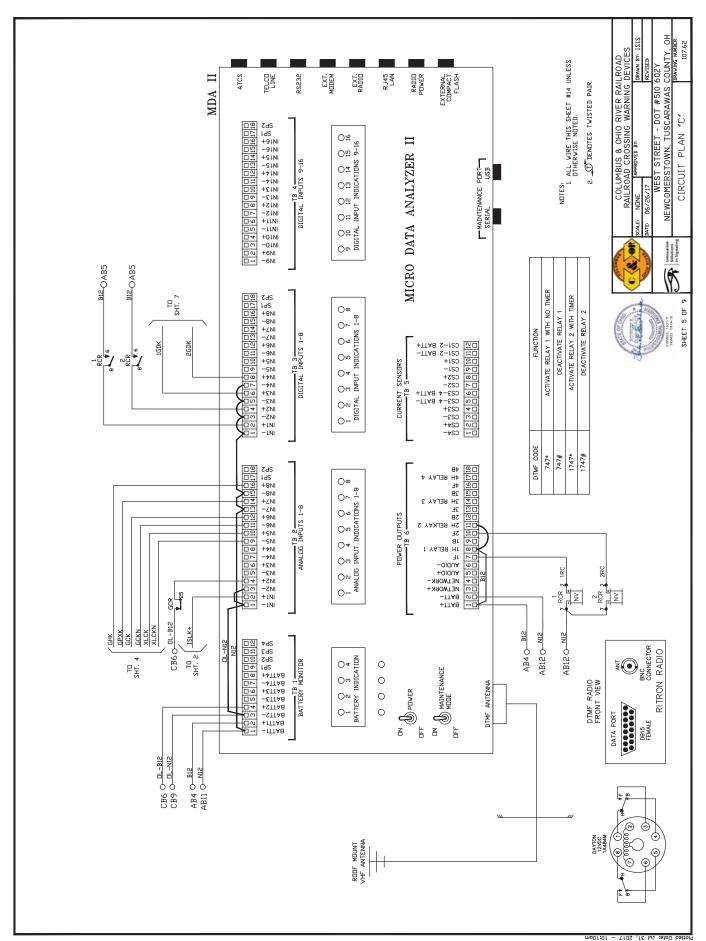


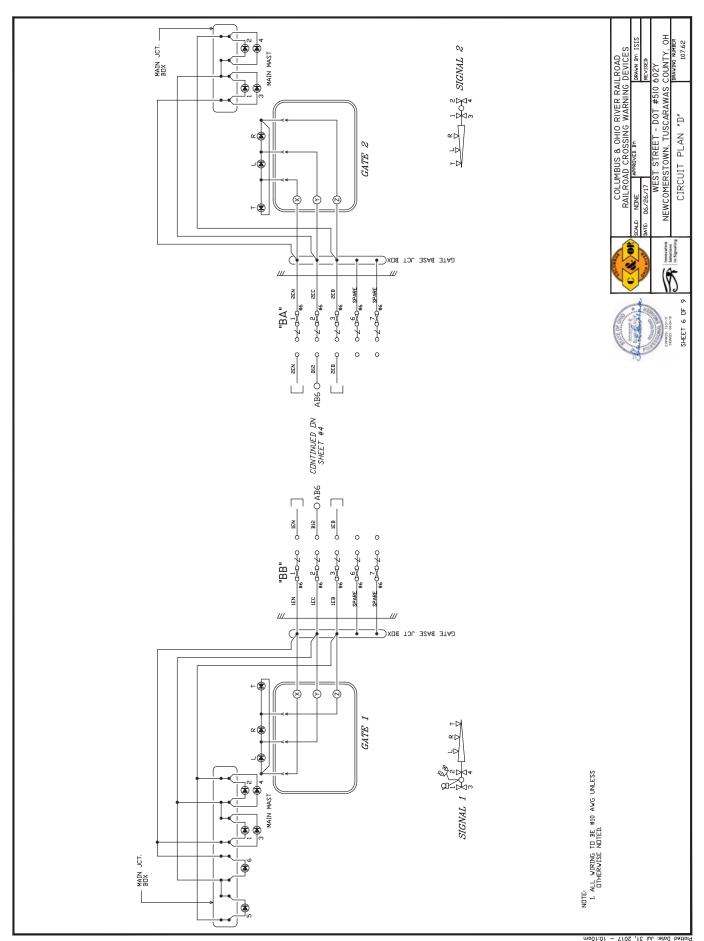
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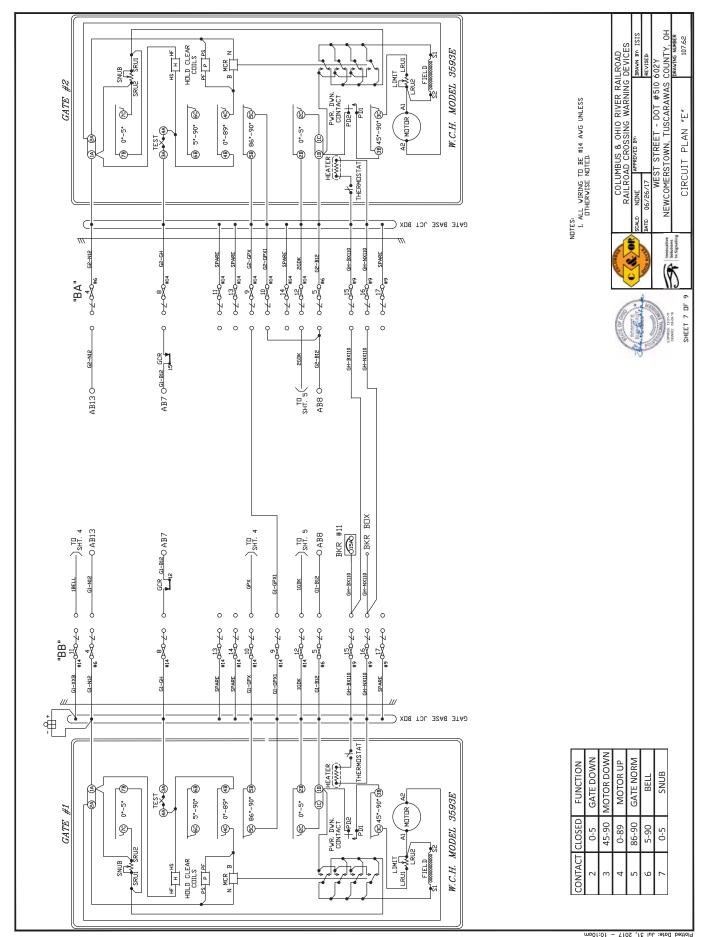
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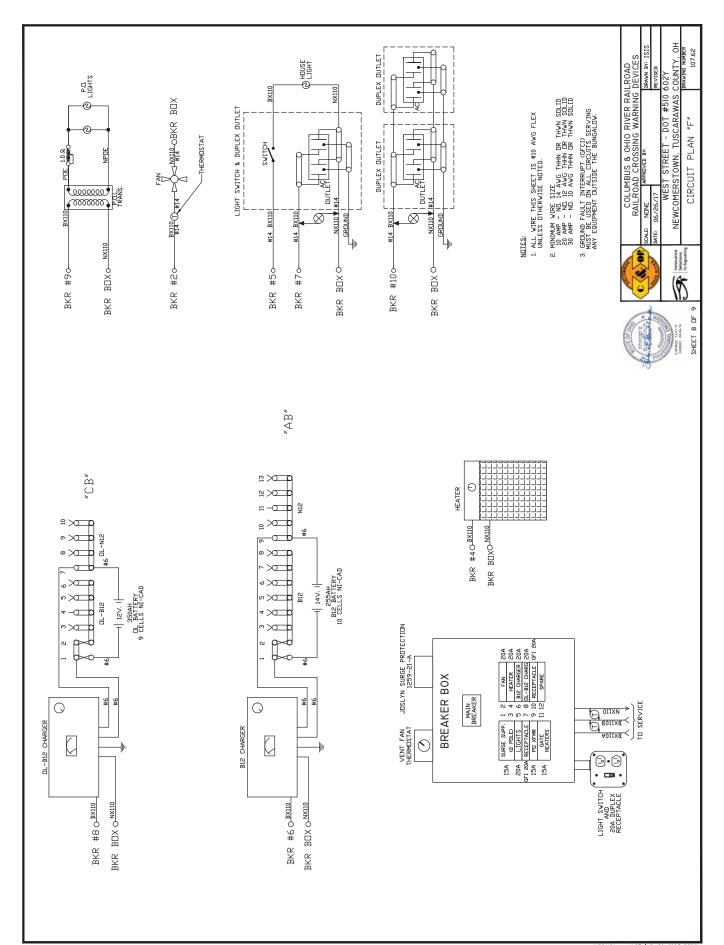
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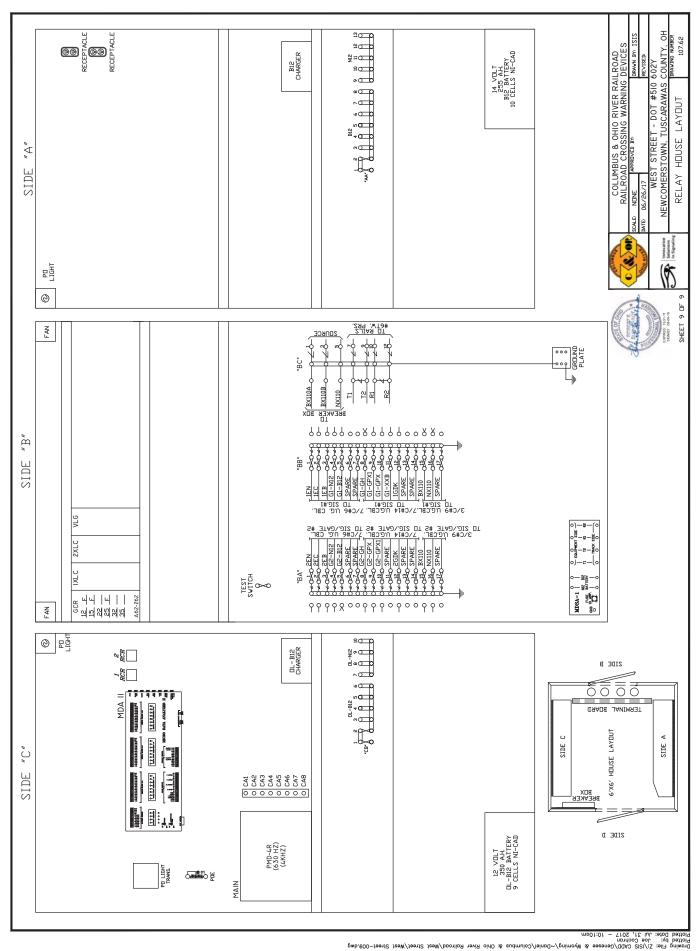














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May 30, 2017

John Connelly Northeast – Genesee & Wyoming Vice President Transportation 400 Meridian Centre Ste.330 Brighton, NY 14618

RE: Tuscarawas County, Newcomerstown, West St, DOT#510602Y, PID#104283

Dear Mr. Connelly:

A diagnostic review was held at the above grade crossing on October 13, 2016. The crossing has been recommended for the installation of lights and gates.

Columbus & Ohio River Railroad is authorized to proceed with the site plans and cost estimates (PE) or bid package for this project. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that any field work needs prior approval before work begins. 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.

The diagnostic review form is attached. Please note any recommendations (page 5), if any, made by the team with regard to requirements for this location. Any minor roadway work necessary for MUTCD compliance should be incorporated into the PE and such costs will flow through the railroad reimbursement process.

The Project Manager for this project is James Tucker. James can be reached at (614)398-6897, or james.tucker@dot.ohio.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Project Manager

C: Randall Schumacher, Supervisor, Rail Division, PUCO

Jill Henry, Rail Division Specialist, PUCO

Susan Arduini, ORDC

ORDC (file)

Attachment:

1 (diagnostic review form)





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April 25, 2017

Catherine Pushchak Corporate Counsel Columbus and Ohio River Railroad 20 West Avenue Darien, CT 06820

Subject:

Grade Crossing Warning Device Improvement

Tuscarawas County, West Street US DOT # 510602Y, PID 104283

Dear Ms. Pushchak:

A diagnostic review was conducted at the West Street, DOT # 510602Y, crossing on October 13, 2016. As a result of the review, the warning devices will be upgraded to flashing lights and roadway gates.

This project shall be completed in compliance with Agreement No. 0009-A dated May 28, 2001, entered into by the State of Ohio and Columbus and Ohio River Railroad (CUOH) and incorporated as if fully rewritten herein. This construction shall also meet the general terms and conditions under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and subsequent amendments and the State of Ohio's Federally Funded Warning Device Program.

Preliminary engineering (PE) and construction costs shall be borne one hundred percent (100%) by ORDC. Reimbursable costs will be limited by the ORDC based on approved estimates and bid tabulations, if applicable. These limits will be quantified by the ORDC in its construction authorization to CUOH and may be amended by the ORDC based on revised estimates and bid tabulations.

This Letter Agreement and the approved plans constitute the scope of the project. CUOH shall notify ORDC in writing of any changes in the scope of work which are not in the approved plans and estimates and secure approval in writing of same before the work is performed.

PE will not be commenced by CUOH prior to ORDC issuing a PE authorization. PE and project estimate will be submitted by CUOH to ORDC within ninety (90) days or other time specified by ORDC in the PE authorization. Construction will not be commenced by CUOH prior to ORDC issuing a construction authorization. Construction will be completed by CUOH within nine (9) months or other time specified in the time specified by ORDC in the construction authorization.

Please indicate your acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Letter Agreement by signing and returning one (1) copy to me at the address listed above and retain a copy for your files. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be a duplicate original, but all of which taken together shall be deemed to constitute a single Agreement.

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Matthew R. Dietrich Executive Director



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Diagnostic Review Team Survey

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None Non	None			
Pedestrians: No Yes				
Is sidewalk present? No Yes				
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Distance				
Is this intersection signalized? No Yes				
Are the signals currently interconnected with the existing cross	sing warning devices? ŽNo 🔲 Yes			
Is there a 'Do not Stop on Track' sign? 💆 No 💮 Yes				
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Type of Development				
Open Space Institutional Location of nearb	y schools:			
✓ Industrial Commercial	, cancella.			
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Utility Information				
Is commercial power available? No Yes				
Utility Provider (Company Name) AEP	Phone Number			
Nearest Available Power Source @ Crossins	THORE NUMBER			
What other utilities are present? Gas Cable (add locations to sketch) Petroleum Water	☐ Telephone ☐ Fiber Optic Cable ☐ Sanitary Sewer			
Other				
Is(are) there potential utility conflict(s) Yes No	M Unknown			
Comments:	_			

Potential Red Flags / Project Challenges	
Traffic Signal Preemption (include traffic signal intersection name and LHA wi	th jurisdiction over traffic signal, if known):
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Diagnostic Team Recommendations	
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Install/upgrade active devices	
Automatic Flashing Lights (AFLS) AFLS /Cants	
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AFLS / Gates / Cants	
✓ Bells / number	2 bells
Upgrade circuitry / type	2 bells
Sidelights	NW Quad
Guardrail Needed	NW QUAD
☐ Install/Replace curb	
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Other (define)	30 4040
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Install/upgrade traffic signal preemption	
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Vehicle type (cars, trucks, etc.):			
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Surface condit	tions:			
Can ve	ehicles cross at posted speed?	YES		
Local	observations/driver behaviors	·		
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Do existing sur	rface conditions have negative	effects on the current	or proposed warn	ing devices?
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TABLE I

Clearing Sight Distances

Maximum Authorized Train Speed	Distance (dT) Along Railroad from Crossing (ft)
1 - 10	240
15	360
20	480
25	600
30	720
35	840
40	960
45	1080
50	1200
55	1320
60	1440
65	1560
70	1680
75	1800
80	1920
. 85	2040
90	2160

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5-foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers and level single track 90 degree crossings; and may need to be adjusted for multiple tracks, skewed crossings or approaches on grades.

Clearing Sight Distance is to be measured in each vehicle travel direction at <u>non-gated crossings</u> as viewed from a point 25 feet from centerline of nearest track in the center of whichever travel lane is nearest the direction along track being measured.

Table 2

Stopping Sight Distances

Highway Vehicle Speed	Distance (dH) Along Roadway from Crossing (ft)
0	n/a
5	50
10	70
15	105
20	135
25	180
30	225
35	280
40	340
45	410
50	490
55	570
60	660
65	760
70	865

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers on dry level pavements.

Stopping Sight Distance is to be measured on each roadway approach to crossing from stop bar.

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