

Memo

To: Docketing Division
From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division
Cc: PUCO Legal Department
Date: 10/18/18

Re: PUCO Case No. 17-1983-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for Upgrades to the Active Warning Devices at CSX Transportation Inc. Grade Crossing, DOT# 154-079C, on Chestnut Street in Butler County, Ohio.

On March 31, 2017, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX) to install traffic pre-emption at the Chestnut Street, DOT#154-079C, grade crossing in Butler County, Ohio. The crossing was surveyed on September 20, 2016 and was found to warrant the upgrades.

On October 20, 2017, the Commission approved the project and ordered completion by July 18, 2018.

On July 10, 2018, CSX filed for a 90 day extension (until October 18, 2018) to the project deadline. In the request, CSX stated that work completing the project has been delayed due to theft of the equipment from the rail yard where the storage container was located. Approximately \$50,000 worth of grade crossing equipment was stolen and will need to be replaced. The main crossing detection units were part of the theft. On August 22, 2018, the Commission approved the 90 day extension until October 18, 2018.

On October 12, 2018, CSX filed for an additional 30 day extension (see attached). In the request CSX states that they are still waiting the delivery of the material from the supplier and will need 2-3 working days to complete the work when the material is delivered.

ORDC has indicated to Staff that they are supportive of the extension request. ORDC adds that there was a delay in CSX ordering the replacement materials because ORDC had to determine if the replacement material would be funded. Staff recommends that the Commission grant the extension request.



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RE: Case # 17-1983-RR-FED REQUEST FOR 30 DAY EXTENSION

Crossing Location: Oxford, Butler County, OH
Crossing Name: Chestnut St – 154079C – BD-38.9 – Installation of Traffic Pre-Emption
PID: 105117
CSXT OP #: OH1176

REQUEST FOR 30 DAY EXTENSION - Installation of Traffic Pre-Emption – ORDERED completion date
October 18, 2018

Due to the theft of the material for the project from the storage container located in the Hamilton, Ohio railyard, the work regarding crossing 154079C will be delayed.

CSX Transportation, Inc. has ordered all missing material and is currently awaiting delivery. Once the material has arrived to the site the field will be able to complete the work within 2-3 working days. Work is anticipated to be complete by the end of October.

Prior to the theft occurrence in late June, the CSX field forces were approximately 50% complete with the project.

CSX formally requests approval of a 30 day extension making the new deadline date November 18, 2018.

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