

Memo

To: Docketing Division

From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division

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Re: PUCO Case No. 18-274-RR-RCP- In the Matter of a Request for a Downgrade to the Cleveland Commercial Railroad Belmar/Flanders Road, DOT# 917-045T, Grade Crossing in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

BACKGROUND

On February 12, 2018, Cleveland Commercial Railroad (CCRL) filed a request to downgrade and remove the Belmar/Flanders Road grade crossing in Solon, Ohio. CCRL proposed to use those devices to upgrade the Richmond Road grade crossing (DOT#475-960M) in Glenwillow, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

Based upon initial staff review, Staff found that CCRL leases the tracks at Belmar/Flanders in Solon from Norfolk Southern Railway (NS). The Richmond Road crossing in Glenwillow has tracks owned by Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway (WE). On March 29, 2018, Staff conducted a conference call with NS about the proposed changes by CCRL. NS and CCRL had discussions about the situation and determined that the warning devices at Belmar/Flanders should remain in place. On June 5, 2018, CCRL filed a request to withdraw the petition.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

CCRL has determined that the petition should be withdrawn. NS supports this decision. Based upon these facts, Staff requests that the case be closed.

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