

# Memo

To: Docketing Division  
From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division  
Cc: PUCO Legal Department  
Date: 6/20/2019

Re: PUCO Case No. 17-2491-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for Upgrades to the Active Warning Devices at Center Street/SR 95 (DOT#518-415T) and Kenton Avenue/SR 309 (DOT#261-540P) in Marion County, Ohio.

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On May 24, 2017, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for CSX Transportation to modernize warning devices at two crossings in the City of Marion. The crossings were surveyed on August 29, 2013 and were found to warrant the upgrades.

On January 3, 2018, the Commission approved the project and ordered completion by October 3, 2018.

On September 4, 2018, CSX filed for a 90 day extension. In the request, CSX states that they have limited crew availability while PTC (Positive Train Control) projects are being completed. On October 24, 2018, the Commission granted a 90 day extension to the project making the new project deadline January 3, 2019.

On December 3, 2018, CSX filed for another 90 day extension. CSX states that construction is currently scheduled to begin March 2019 and continues to be delayed due to limited crew availability while PTC is being completed. The Commission granted a 45 day extension until February 19, 2019.

On January 18, 2019, CSX filed for a 90 day extension. Staff has been in discussion with CSX about their open projects. CSX has been moving forward with project construction and has provided a comprehensive construction schedule for all open projects to Staff. CSX is scheduled to begin construction for these crossings in May 2019. On March 27, 2019, the Commission granted a 90 extension request until May 19, 2019.

On May 14, 2019, CSX requested a 30 day extension. ORDC has indicated to Staff that CSX has been on-site working and are making good process, but excessive rain has slowed down construction. ORDC supports a 30 day extension. The Commission granted a 30 day extension request on May 23, 2019.

On June 19, 2019, CSX filed another 30 day extension request. ORDC has indicated to Staff that CSX has added another crew to this project, but continues to be delayed by the weather. ORDC supports a 30 day extension. Staff recommends another 30 day extension.



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June 19, 2019

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RE: Case # 17-2491-RR-FED REQUEST FOR 30 DAY EXTENSION

Crossing Location: Marion, Marion County, OH  
Crossing Name: SR 309 / Kenton Avenue  
DOT # 261 540P  
PID 96926  
MP: QI-101.62  
CSXT OP #: A46195

REQUEST FOR 30 DAY EXTENSION - Installation of grade crossing warning devices – ORDERED  
completion date of June 19, 2019

The team scheduled to complete this project has been on site for two weeks working on the project, which is in conjunction with the Center Street project (PID 96927).

Please note a few issues have arisen in the field and have resulted in a delay to the in-service date previously anticipated for mid June. The Signal Construction group will need approximately 3 more weeks to be able to complete the project.


- The power company work order expired, and CSX did not receive any notification. A new work order had to be generated and currently waiting for new Work Order to be in place.
- There was also an issue with construction, the existing cantilever was to be set in the location of the existing signal. The existing signal had to be removed before the cantilever could be set. There have been some additional material requirements as well.

**Current Construction Status:**

Center St. – A46193 – House is set and wired, DAX cable installed, starts walked and marked, track cable installed, foundations for temp gates picked up, signal cable ran, container inventoried, Boring team work completed. Issues with obtaining track time, and hand digging over utilities.

Kenton St. – A46195 – House set and wired, DAX and power cable installed, starts walked and marked, shunt tubes dug in, track cable dug in, signal cable installed, Boring team work completed. A lot of hand digging required due to existing cables, and utilities.

CSX formally requests approval of a 30 day extension making the new deadline date July 19, 2019.

  
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Crossing Location: Marion, Marion County, OH  
Crossing Name: SR 95 / Center St  
DOT #: 518 415T  
PID: 96927  
MP: QI-101.94  
CSXT OP #: A46193

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