

Memo

To: Docketing Division
From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division
Cc: PUCO Legal Department
Date: 12/31/2019

Re: PUCO Case No. 19-653-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for the Installation of Active Warning Devices at the CSX Transportation Inc. Grade Crossing, DOT#513-731Y, on Vanzandt Rd/TR 37 in Hancock County, Ohio.

On October 9, 2018, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX) to install lights and gates at Vanzandt Road/TR 37, DOT#513-731Y in Hancock County, Ohio. The crossing was surveyed, on May 18, 2018, and was found to warrant the upgrade.

On April 17, 2019, the Commission approved the project and ordered completion by January 17, 2020.

On December 19, 2019, CSX filed for an extension until April 17, 2020 (see attached). In the request, CSX states that the team scheduled to complete this project is working in Marion, Ohio to complete a corridor project. They will take a 3-week break for the holidays and for Safety Certification in January. It is anticipated that it will be mid-February until the Marion project is complete and they can begin the Vanzandt Road project.

Staff notes that CSX has no firm deadline to complete the Marion corridor project. Staff believes that CSX has failed to show that good cause exists to grant additional time for completion of the project. Staff does not recommend a project extension.



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RE: Case # 19-653-RR-FED REQUEST FOR 90 DAY EXTENSION

Crossing Location: Arlington, Hancock County, OH
Crossing Name: Vanzandt Road / TR 37
DOT # 513 731Y
PID 108554
MP: QT 50.02
CSXT OP #: OH1275

REQUEST FOR 90 DAY EXTENSION - Installation of grade crossing warning devices – ORDERED
completion date of January 17, 2020

The team scheduled for this project is currently working on the Marion, OH Corridor project. The team is about to lose approximately 3 weeks due to the Holidays and Safety Certification in January. Upon completion of the Marion Corridor project (which is anticipated for February 2020) the teams will move onto the Arlington and Willoughby, Ohio projects. At this time CSX Transportation, Inc. is anticipating being able to begin the project early/late February.

CSX formally requests approval of a 90 day extension, making the new deadline date April 17, 2020.

Tentative Schedule of upcoming projects:

January

Completion of OH1240 – Lima, Ohio

January into February

Completion of the Marion Corridor Projects

Begin OH1275 – Arlington, OH

February into March

Begin OH1219 – Willoughby, OH

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Summary: Response In the Matter of an Extension Request for the Installation of Active Warning Devices at the CSX Transportation Inc. Grade Crossing, DOT#513-731Y, on Vanzandt Rd/TR 37 in Hancock County, Ohio. electronically filed by Mrs. Jill A Henry on behalf of PUCO/Rail Division