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Ohio Public Utilities Division **PUCO Docketing Division** 180 E Broad St Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Subject:

Project Update – SR 741/Bethany Rd, Mason, Warren County, Ohio

Upgrade to Lights & Gates - Case# 15-1080-RR-FED

Reference:

Agency ID:

SR 741/Bethany Rd

AAR/DOT#: 525227V SR 741/525228C Bethany Rd

**PUCO Docketing Division:** 

The Indiana & Ohio Railway Company (IORY) is submitting the following update for the above referenced project as a follow up to the traffic preemption issues.

Progress Rail and Alstom's review conclude that the tail ring is due to poor shunting conditions, i.e. rusty rail due to low train traffic. Progress/Alstom have suggested to change the approach frequencies from 392/267Hz to 979/686Hz. This will require changing the narrow band shunts in the track, update each unit to the new frequency, then shunt testing, which the railroad will perform this work in-house. The railroad will attempt this modification with approve from ORDC and PUCO.

Please feel free to contact me at (614) 479-1716 if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Sincerely,

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Genesee Railroad Services Inc.

cc: Catherine Stout (ORDC) Kurth Seiler (City of Mason)

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