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To: Docketing Division

From: Bonnie J. Johrendt, Grade Crossing Planner *[Signature]*

RE: PUCO Case 07-282-RR-STP, CSXT Grade Crossing, Village of Ridgeway, Hardin County

Date: July 20, 2007

The warning device design and cost estimates submitted by CSX have been reviewed for the above-mentioned project and authorization was recommended.

Please docket the field report and authorization letter to the railroad.

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Mr. Mel McNichols
Principal Engineer
CSX Transportation, Inc.
500 Water Street, J-301
Jacksonville, FL 32202

RE: Case 07-282-R&STP, CSXT Grade Crossing, Hale Street (513-785E), Village of Ridgeway,
Hardin County

Dear Mr. McNichols:

CSX Transportation is now authorized to schedule the field construction for the above-mentioned project. This authorization is contingent upon accepting the following:

- 1.) Railroad will make the recommended adjustments to the plans outlined in the attached report before construction.
- 2.) Railroad will furnish prior faxed and phone notification five working days before starting field construction to, Bonnie J Johrendt, PUCO, (614) 466-0435, Fax, (614) 995-5535.
- 3.) Railroad will arrange for utilities to be relocated at the project sit by the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) prior to any construction activities at the sites. Utilities that are not participating members of the service must be contacted directly by Railroad;
- 4.) Railroad project foreman will notify PUCO Railroad inspector of any changes in the scope of work, cost overruns, material changes, etc. which are not included in the in the approved plan and estimate and secure approval of it before the work is performed;
- 5.) Railroad will furnish three (3) copies of each partial bill to PUCO.
- 6.) Railroad will furnish three (3) copies of the final - inclusive bill to PUCO stating the exact dates of starting and completing work, the initial and final dates of construction and location where the accounts may be audited; and
- 7.) Railroad will furnish as-built detailed circuit plans directly to PUCO.

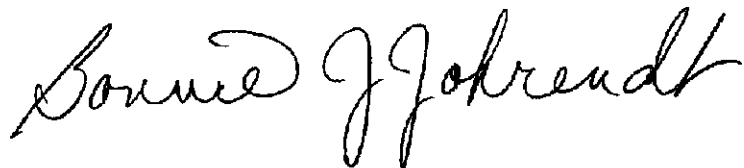
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Presently the railroad is to schedule and complete this project by March 28, 2008.
If CSXT needs an extension of the construction deadline for this project, please request within thirty days of the construction deadline.

If you have any questions, feel free to call. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bonnie J. Johrendt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" and "J".

Bonnie J Johrendt
Grade Crossing Planner
Rail Division
(614) 466-0435

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**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Transportation Department/Rail Division**

Field and Office Check

RE: PUCO Case No. 07-282-RR-STP, CSX Grade Crossing, Hale Street (513-785E) Village of Ridgeway, Hardin County.

DATE: July 20, 2007

FROM: Bonnie J Johrendt, Grade Crossing Planner

The PUCO rail staff conducted a field and office check of the design plans and estimates for the above-mentioned grade crossing warning device project on Thursday 19, 2007.

The Hale Street (513-785E) grade crossing is a double main line and siding track, which intersects a paved eighteen foot wide two-lane road at an approximate 90-degree angle. The maximum authorized train speed is 50 mph with roughly 4 train movements per day. The maximum authorized vehicular traffic speed is 35 mph with over 551 vehicles per day.

After reviewing, the submitted design plans, the review team determined:

- the designed circuitry (GCP4000D2) will be adequate to give the proper warning time.
- the placement of the bungalow looks good and does not block the site view of the school bus drivers.
- an application for the electrical power should be made as soon as possible, if necessary.
- the overheads will not obstruct the gates movements and the undergrounds are located near where warning device foundation will be, so hand digging may be necessary.

However, if other concerns occur during construction, a PUCO railroad inspector will be on site and may make any modifications.

RECOMMENDATION

It is therefore the opinion of the team, with these recommendations; the railroad receives construction authorization with the current construction deadline of March 28, 2008.