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September 20, 2010

**Re: Petition for Reinstatement of Railroad Crossing**

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as the petition of Wye Transportation, Inc. (Wye) to reinstate a railroad crossing across Woodland Avenue (919-867L) in the City of Columbus.

As you know a crossing existed at this location for many years. In 2009, at the request of the City of Columbus, Wye sought a temporary exemption from the school bus stopping requirement at this crossing, and after amending this request was granted permission to remove the light and gate mechanism at this crossing by the PUCO. At that time, all of the parties noted it was the intention of Wye to reconnect its rail spur at this location. Wye's ability to proceed with rehabilitation of this rail spur was premised on the availability of outside funding to support the cost.

In PUCO order for Case No. 09-958-RR-RCP, the Commission found that Wye sought "a temporary exemption, and not a formal abandonment of the rail crossing" and "plans to rebuild the rail spur." Due to the unique circumstances of this rail crossing, the Commission found there was no need to conduct a public hearing.

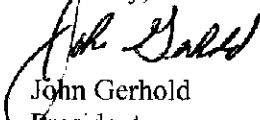
In addition to the rehabilitated rail spur that will cross the street, Wye plans to install automatic crossing gates at this location. The proposed design also calls for a precast concrete panel over Woodland Ave. to ensure a smoother crossing for motor vehicles.

The plan to reconnect the rail line follows directly from Wye's award of a loan under the Ohio Department of Development's Logistics and Distribution Stimulus Program. The project is under a tight frame pursuant to this ODOD Program. Accordingly, Wye respectfully requests expedited consideration by PUCO of this petition.

This rail project has received not only the support of the State of Ohio, but also from the Mayor of the City of Columbus (letter attached).

Please contact us with any questions that you have. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

  
John Gerhold  
President

Attachment

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December 8, 2009

Ms. Lisa Patt-McDaniel  
Director  
The Ohio Department of Development  
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**Re: Stimulus Funding Application for the Wye Transportation Transload Facility**

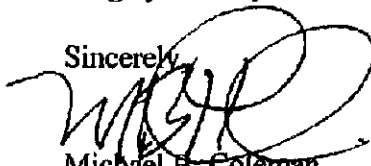
Dear Lisa:

I am writing in support of Wye Transportation's funding request through the Ohio Logistics and Distribution Stimulus Program. The stimulus funding will be critical for the construction of the transload facility and the creation of new jobs to the City of Columbus.

By approving Wye Transportation's request an important investment will be made in the City's urban core. The new transload facility and rail spur renovation will result in 25 construction jobs and 18 new full-time jobs within three years.

Please accept this letter as my formal support of the Wye Transportation's application and I urge you and your staff to approve this much needed request.

Sincerely,



Michael B. Coleman  
Mayor