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Commission of Ohio**

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**To:** Docketing Division  
**From:** Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division   
**Cc:** PUCO Legal Department  
**Date:** 12/9/2010

**Re:** PUCO Case No. 10-1136-RR-STP- In the matter of a request for RJ Corman Railroad Company to install active grade crossing warning devices in Tuscarawas County, Village of Strasburg, at 1<sup>st</sup> Street E (DOT#142-585U) and 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE (DOT#142-586B).

On June 16, 2010, Commission Staff, The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC), RJ Corman Railroad Company (RJC), and the Village of Strasburg, Tuscarawas County, Ohio entered into an agreement whereby active grade crossing warning devices would be installed in Tuscarawas County, Village of Strasburg, at 1<sup>st</sup> Street E (DOT#142-585U) and 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE (DOT#142-586B).

On August 13, 2010, The Ohio Rail Development Commission authorized funding for the project.

On September 1, 2010, the Commission issued a Finding and Order approving the project and requiring the submission of plans and estimates by December 1, 2010.

On November 23, 2010, RJC filed with the Rail Division plans and estimates for the project.

The plans and estimates submitted by RJC have been reviewed and authorization by the PUCO and ORDC is approved (see attached).



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December 9, 2010

Ms. Deborah Hawley  
Contracts & Real Estate Specialist  
RJ Corman Railroad Group  
P.O. Box 788  
Nicholasville, KY 40340

Re: 1<sup>st</sup> Street E (DOT#142-585U) & 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE  
(DOT#142-586B)/ RJ Corman Railroad  
Company

Ms. Hawley:

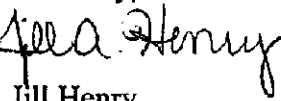
RJ Corman Railroad Company (RJC) is now authorized to proceed with field construction for the above referenced project. This authorization is contingent upon accepting the following:

- 1) RJC will make any adjustments to the plans noted in the field report docketed December 9, 2010 (Attached).
- 2) RJC will furnish prior e-mailed, faxed or phone notification five (5) working days prior to the start of field construction to Jill Henry, PUCO, at E-MAIL [jill.henry@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:jill.henry@puc.state.oh.us), or FAX 614-995-5535 and Mike Forte, ORDC, at E-MAIL [Mike.Forte@dot.state.oh.us](mailto:Mike.Forte@dot.state.oh.us), or PHONE 614-374-9287.
- 3) RJC's project foreman will also notify the PUCO and ORDC of any stops and re-starts of the work activity and of the date work was completed for the project.
- 4) RJC will arrange for utilities to be relocated and/or dropped (as soon as possible) at the project site through the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) and prior to any construction activities. Utilities that are not participating members of the OUPS service must be contacted directly by RJC.
- 5) RJC's project foreman will notify the PUCO Railroad Inspector and ORDC's Mike Forte of any changes in the scope of work, cost overruns, material changes, etc. which are not included in the approved plan and estimates and secure approval of same before the work is performed.
- 6) RJC will furnish three (3) copies of each partial bill to the PUCO and ORDC.
- 7) RJC will furnish three (3) copies of the final-inclusive bill to PUCO and ORDC stating that exact dates of starting and completing work, the initial and final dates of construction and location where the accounts may be audited.
- 8) RJC will furnish as-built detailed circuit plans directly to PUCO and ORDC.

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1<sup>st</sup> Street E/4<sup>th</sup> Street SE  
RJC

- 9) RJC is to schedule and complete the subject project by September 1, 2011. If any extraordinary circumstances unique to this project occur, please notify the Commission's rail staff and the ORDC immediately.

Thank you for you cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,  
  
Jill Henry  
Rail Specialist  
PUCO Rail Division

Enclosure  
cc: LHA; ORDC; File

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT  
RAIL DIVISION**

**Date of Assignment:** November 23, 2010

**Date of Inspection:** December 8, 2010

**Subject:** Plans and estimates review for active warning devices at rail grade crossings 1<sup>st</sup> Street E (DOT# 142-585U) and 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE (DOT#142-586B) RJ Corman Railroad Company (RJC), Tuscarawas County

**DOT #: 142-585U & 142-586B**

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**FINDINGS**

**1<sup>st</sup> Street**

1st Street E is a 2-lane roadway traveling East/West and intersecting the RJC tracks traveling North/South across 1<sup>st</sup> Street E. Existing warning devices consist of advanced warnings signs and crossbucks.

**4<sup>th</sup> Street SE**

4<sup>th</sup> Street SE is a 2-lane roadway traveling East/West and intersecting the RJC tracks traveling North/South across 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE. Existing warning devices consist of advanced warnings signs and crossbucks.

**Review**

The preliminary plans and estimates have been reviewed by the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) and the PUCO and they appear to be fundamentally correct and have the usual and customary charges.

**SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS**

The plans and estimates for the proposed project have been reviewed. Construction authorization should be granted for these projects.

Jill Henry  
PUCO Rail Specialist  
Date: December 9, 2010