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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Petitioning for Exemption of Ametek Railroad Crossing, Auglaize County, AUG-33-16.69, AARDOT No. 516 868D

Dear PUCO Representative:

The Ohio Department of Transportation, District 7, is Petitioning for a Railroad Crossing Exemption under Revised Code 4511.63. We have had several reports from School Bus and Tanker Truck Drivers of near rear end collisions with motorists that aren't required by law to stop at this railroad crossing. The owner of the rail line that crosses U.S.-33 states that there are three trains per week that utilize this crossing at a low speed for switching operations at their facility. An Exemption at this crossing would make it much safer. Currently on U.S.-33 there are four lanes tapering down to two lanes with a side road intersecting near this crossing. No vehicles would have to stop at this crossing, creating less hazards, if it were to be Exempted. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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Michael S. Mc Knight District 7 Railroad Coordinator

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