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To: Docketing Division

From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division

Cc: PUCO Legal Department

Date: 3/31/14

**Re:** PUCO Case No. 12-1742 -RR-STP- In the matter of a request for CSX Transportation, Inc. to install active grade crossing warning devices in the City of Brook Park at Holland Road (DOT#141-936M) in Cuyahoga County.

On June 6, 2012, Commission Staff, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC), CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX), and the City of Brook Park, Ohio (LHA) entered into an agreement whereby active grade crossing warning devices would be installed in Cuyahoga County, at Holland Road (DOT#141-936M).

On June 13, 2012, the Commission issued a Finding and Order approving the project and requiring the submission of plans and estimates by September 11, 2012 and completion of the project by June 13, 2013.

Since this was the first 4 quadrant gate system that CSX has installed in Ohio, a number of design issues had to be worked out. These issues created delays in the submission of plans and estimates and the approval of those plans for construction. The plans and estimates submitted by CSX were officially approved on March 25, 2013. Construction on this project began on May 2, 2013.

CSX has had continued delays in the delivery of the exit gate management system for this 4 quadrant gate project. The Commission has previously granted four project extensions since construction was authorized in March 2013. The exit gate management system was not in stock at CSX's vendor. When the vendor finally received the system in September 2013, it was determined that parts of the system were obsolete and replacement parts would not be available until February 15, 2014. The new parts were shipped to the vendor on March 3, 2014, but they did not pass quality control testing. The new ship date is April 1, 2014. On March 4, 2014, CSX put into operation at the crossing a basic light and gate system. This will be in operation until the exit gate management system is received and installed.

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Staff has contacted the City of Brook Park and they are still working on their portion of the project. Once the weather breaks, they will install the traffic loop and the concrete medians at the crossing.

On March 26, 2014, CSX requested a 30 day extension to the project completion deadline (see attached). Staff recommends that the Commission grant CSX's 30 day extension request.



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RE: Brook Park, Cuyahoga County, OH - Holland Rd - CASE# 12-1742-RR-STP - DOT No. 141936M - MP BJA 154.06

**REQUEST FOR THIRTY DAY EXTENSION** 

Current deadline is March 31, 2014.

EGMS system was supposed to ship to CSX during the week of February 14, 2014. During the system manufacturing process, the vendor informed CSX that the manufacturing was taking longer than planned and that the system would be shipped during the week of March 3, 2014.

After the EGMS system was manufactured, the vendor completed quality control tests on it and the system did not pass the testing. It was sent back for corrections, pushing the ship date back to April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

The 2-quad gate system was installed at this crossing March 4, 2014.

The vehicle loop detectors are not yet installed in the pavement, and I do not have a schedule from the City for this work.

Thank you,

Amanda J. DeCesare

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