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May 8, 2014

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

Re: Consent Request of Norfolk Southern Railway Company to Modify Warning Devices at the West Mill Street Grade Crossing (481419L) in Pickaway County, OH.

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,

Cargill, Inc. in Circleville, OH initiated the request with the Norfolk Southern Railway Company to remove the West grade crossing signal at Mill Street. Cargill purchased the property directly west of this grade crossing last year. The crossing is in the process of being removed to install ladder tracks on the property. Installing ladder tracks will improve safety throughout Circleville as our present rail yard is almost 2 miles away from our loading facility and Cargill must cross most grade crossings in the town when loading a train (over 125 grade crossings are crossed loading a 75 car train).

The Mill Street crossing into Cargill's property is presently being blocked by substantial concrete barriers to keep traffic off of the old crossing. Cargill is in favor of the removal of this crossing signal as soon as possible so we can complete our ladder track project and improve safety in the city of Circleville.

Sincerely,

Delin Johnson
Plant Manager.

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