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From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division 

Cc: PUCO Legal Department

Date: 7/16/14

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.

The Commission has granted six project extensions since construction was authorized in March 2013. In March 2014, CSX put into operation at the crossing a basic light and gate system. CSX installed the exit gate management system in May 2014 and cannot complete the installation until the City of Brook Park installs a traffic loop system.

The City of Brook Park has had difficulty getting a contractor to perform the traffic loop installation. As of July 14, 2014, the City has finally secured a contractor and are working out the project billing and right of entry approval details with CSX.

On June 12, 2014, CSX requested an extension to the project completion deadline (see attached). Since the project cannot continue until the City of Brook Park completes its work and a basic light and gate system is in service at the crossing, Staff recommends that the Commission grant an extension. Staff suggests the extension stipulate that CSX complete the remaining project work within 45 days of the City of Brook Park's traffic loop installation.

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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 May 30, 2014

EGMS system was received and installed. Project is now waiting for the City to get the traffic loops installed. Once this is completed CSX will return the crossing to a 4 quadrant gate configuration, connect the loops and test system.

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

Correspondence with the City of Brook Park indicates they are having a difficult time finding a contractor for the traffic loop work. They have been in contact with a number of new vendors and one has indicated pricing will be available week of June 16.

Thank you,

Amanda J. DeCesare

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Summary: Request Request 30 day extension Brook Park, Cuyahoga county, OH Holland Road Case 12-1742-RR-STP DOT 141936M MP BJA 154.06 electronically filed by Mrs. Vicki B Sowder on behalf of CSX Transportation