## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Wheeling and Lake	)	
Erie Railway Safety Corridor & Traffic	)	Case No. 12-2205-RR-FED
Signal Preemption Project in Stark County,	)	Case 140. 12-2203-KK-14ED
City of Canton.	)	

## **ENTRY**

## The Commission finds:

- (1) By Finding and Order issued August 15, 2012, the Commission, in part, ordered Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway (WLE) to upgrade the circuitry and preemption at 14 grade crossings in the city of Canton (Canton), Stark County. The completion deadline of the project was February 17, 2014. By subsequent entries, the completion deadline was continued, most recently to September 17, 2014.
- (2) On August 29, 2014, WLE requested an extension of time, until October 31, 2014, to complete the project. WLE notes that it has completed all of the work that it can complete with the exception of four crossings that are awaiting traffic signal preemption that needs to be completed by Canton. WLE notes that Canton has indicated that their portion of the project was initially scheduled to be completed in mid-September; however, Canton needs additional time.
- (3) On August 29, 2014, Staff filed a memorandum noting that WLE cannot complete the project until Canton completes the roadway work and recommending that the extension request be granted.
- (4) Upon review, the Commission finds that WLE's request for an extension of time, until October 31, 2014, should be granted. Accordingly, WLE is granted an extension of time until October 31, 2014, to complete the project. WLE is directed to follow all standard railroad crossing safety protocol so as to ensure the protection of the traveling public at this crossing. WLE is also directed to expedite the work at the crossings so as to timely complete the project. In addition, Staff should continue to monitor the work at the project to ensure completion within the newly-ordered timeframe.

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It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That WLE's request for an extension of time to complete the project is granted in accordance with finding 4. It is, further,

ORDERED, That WLE complete the project by October 31, 2014. It is, further,

ORDERED, That copies of this Entry be served upon WLE, ORDC, Engineer of the city of Canton, Ohio Power Company, and any other interested person of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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