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PUCO Memo

To:

Docketing Division

From:

George Martin, Grade Crossing Planner, Rail Division

Re:

In the matter of the authorization of CSX Transportation to upgrade active warning devices as

part of Galion - Union City Corridor Project in Marion County

December 11, 2014

The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) has authorized funding for CSX Transportation (CSX) to install new gate mechanisms and new mast-mounted flashing lights at Marion County, City of Marion, as follows:

Barnhart Street, DOT# 262070M, approved cost \$230,452.00

Madison Avenue, DOT# 262069T, approved cost \$236,224.00

Jefferson Street, DOT# 262073H, approved cost \$166,870.00

The projects will be paid for with federal funds, and are actual cost. The plans and estimates for these projects have already been approved in the amounts noted above. Staff and ORDC request an 18 month order for these projects due to the overlapping circuitry between the crossings and the train signalization in this territory. Staff requests that the following language be incorporated in the Finding & Order:

It is expected that all work necessary for FHWA acceptance of the warning devices will be completed by the in-service due date and that the railroad will be responsible for this work. This work includes, but is not limited to:

Any ancillary work to make the warning devices function as designed and visible to the roadway user, and

MUTCD compliance, including minor roadway work if necessary.

Technician____

A suggested case coding and heading would be:

PUCO Case No. 14-2214 -RR-FED: In the matter of the authorization of CSX Transportation to upgrade active warning devices as part of the Galion – Union City Corridor Project in Marion County

C: Legal Department

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OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO:

George Martin, Rail Division, PUCO

FROM:

Cathy Stout, Manager, Safety Section, ORDC

BY:

Joe Reinhardt, Project Manager, ORD

SUBJECT:

CSX Corridor, Three (3) Warning Device Projects, Marion County:

Barnhart Street, Madison Avenue and Jefferson Street

DATE:

December 10, 2014

Preliminary Engineering has already been provided by the railroad to ORDC for three warning projects on the Union City-Galion Corridor. We have approved these site plans and estimates. Please issue a construction-only Order for these projects with a proposed 18 month deadline. These grade crossings already have flashers and gates at these locations.

These construction authorizations are made with the stipulation and understanding that any field work needs prior approval before the work begins. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that an approved estimate may contain entries for items or activities that may be cited and found to be ineligible for federal participation during the project audit.

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- any ancillary work to make warning devices function as designed and visible to the roadway user, and
- MUTCD compliance including minor roadway work if necessary.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Attachment:

Diagnostic Review

Plan & Estimate

c:

George Martin, PUCO

ORDC Project Manager (file)



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December 10, 2014

Ms. Amanda DeCesare Project Manager 500 Meijer Drive, Suite 305 Florence, Ky 41042

RE: Marion County, Barnhart Street, DOT 262070M

PID 96913, OH1001

Dear Ms. DeCesare:

The plan and estimate dated November 15, 2014, for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. CSX may proceed with the construction of the proposed grade crossing warning system in accordance with the abbreviated plan. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that the approved estimate may contain entries for items or activities that may be cited and found to be ineligible for federal participation during the project audit. Reimbursement of eligible actual cost is limited to \$230,542. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the ORDC prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted and will be confirmed by ORDC in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

This authorization is contingent upon CSX accepting the following instructions:

- 1. CSX will furnish prior written notification of their scheduled date to start construction to George Martin, PUCO, Railroad Division.
- 2. CSX's project foreman will furnish FAX or written notification five (5) working days prior to the date work will start at the project site to Joseph Reinhardt, Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC), 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223, email joe.reinhardt@dot.state.oh.us or FAX (614) 728-4520, (telephone number 614-580-7728), and to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio at 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, email George.martin@puc.state.oh.us, (telephone number 614-752-9107). CSX's project foreman will also notify the same of any stops and re-starts of the work activity and of the date work was completed for the project.
- 3. CSX will arrange for utilities to be located at the project site by the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) prior to any construction activities at the site. Utilities that are not participating members of the service must be contacted directly by CSX.
- 4. CSX's project foremen will notify Joe Reinhardt of any changes in the scope of work, cost overruns, material changes, etc. which are not included in the approved plan and estimate and secure approval of same before the work is performed.



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- 5. CSX will furnish two (2) copies of each partial bill to ORDC. Please find the enclosed Encumbrance Estimate to reference when billing.
- 6. CSX will furnish two (2) copies of the final all-inclusive bill to ORDC stating the exact dates of starting and completing work, the initial and final dates of construction and location where the accounts may be audited.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Sincerely,

Joseph Reinhardt Project Manager

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December 10, 2014

Ms. Amanda DeCesare Project Manager 500 Meijer Drive, Suite 305 Florence, Ky 41042

RE: Marion County, Madison Avenue, DOT 262069T

PID 96912, OH1002

Dear Ms. DeCesare:

The plan and estimate dated November 15, 2014, for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. CSX may proceed with the construction of the proposed grade crossing warning system in accordance with the abbreviated plan. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that the approved estimate may contain entries for items or activities that may be cited and found to be ineligible for federal participation during the project audit. Reimbursement of eligible actual cost is limited to \$236,224. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the ORDC prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted and will be confirmed by ORDC in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

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November 17, 2014

Ms. Amanda DeCesare Project Manager 500 Meijer Drive, Suite 305 Florence, Ky 41042

RE:

Marion County, Jefferson Street, DOT262073H

PID 96914, OH0991

Dear Ms. DeCesare:

The plan and estimate dated November 13, 2014, for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. CSX may proceed with the construction of the proposed grade crossing warning system in accordance with the abbreviated plan. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that the approved estimate may contain entries for items or activities that may be cited and found to be ineligible for federal participation during the project audit. Reimbursement of eligible actual cost is limited to \$166,870. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the ORDC prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted and will be confirmed by ORDC in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

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