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# Memo

**To:** Docketing Division

**From:** Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division

**Cc:** PUCO Legal Department

**Date:** 4/2/15

**Re:** PUCO Case No. 15-424-RR-STP- In the matter of a request for Upgrades at the Pilkington North America Crossing on Superior Street/State Route 65 (DOT#851-575V0, in Wood County, Rossford, Ohio.

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On February 25, 2015, Commission Staff (PUCO) and Pilkington North America (Railroad) entered into an agreement whereby the warning devices would be upgraded at Superior Street in Rossford, Ohio.

On March 25, 2015, the Commission issued a Finding and Order approving the project, requiring plans and estimates by June 24, 2015, and ordering project completion by March 25, 2016.

On March 31, 2015, Pilkington North America filed with the Rail Division plans and estimates for the project.

The plans and estimates submitted by Pilkington North America have been reviewed and authorization is recommended. (See attached documentation.)

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April 2, 2015

Mr. John Ankney  
Facility Engineer  
Pilkington North America  
140 Dixie Highway  
Rossford, OH 43460

Re: Crossing Upgrades /Superior Street  
DOT#851-575V

Dear Mr. Ankney:

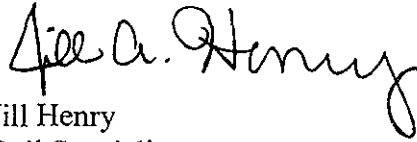
Pilkington North America (PNA) is now authorized to proceed with field construction for the above referenced project. This authorization is contingent upon accepting the following:

- 1) PNA will make any adjustments to the plans noted in the field report docketed April 2, 2015 (Attached).
- 2) PNA will furnish e-mail, fax, or phone notification five (5) working days prior to the date work will start at the project site. Notification to be made to Jill Henry, PUCO, at E-MAIL [jill.henry@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:jill.henry@puc.state.oh.us) , FAX 614-995-5535, or PHONE 614-466-0435.
- 3) PNA will arrange for utilities to be relocated and/or dropped (as soon as possible) at the project site through the applicable utility company if needed.
- 4) PNA 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 OUPS service must be contacted directly by PNA.
- 5) PNA's project foreman will notify the PUCO Railroad Inspector of any changes in the scope of work, material changes, etc. which are not included in the approved plan and estimates and secure approval of same before the work is performed.
- 6) PNA will furnish three (3) copies of each partial bill to the PUCO.
- 7) PNA will furnish three (3) copies of the final-inclusive bill to PUCO stating that exact dates of starting and completing work, the initial and final dates of construction and location where the accounts may be audited.
- 8) PNA will furnish as-built detailed circuit plans directly to the PUCO.

- 9) PNA is to schedule and complete the subject project by March 25, 2016. If any extraordinary circumstances unique to this project occur, please notify the Commission's rail staff immediately.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill A. Henry". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jill Henry  
Rail Specialist  
PUCO Rail Division

Enclosure

cc: File

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT  
RAIL DIVISION**

**Date of Assignment:** March 31, 2015

**Subject:** Plans and estimates review for active warning devices at Superior Street (DOT#851-575V), Pilkington North America (PNA), Rossford, Wood County, Ohio

**DOT #: 851-575V**

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**FINDINGS**

On March 31, 2015, the plans and estimates for the above mentioned crossing were received from Pilkington North America (PNA). They were reviewed by Jill Henry, PUCO Rail Specialist and Shawn Zurfley, FRA/PUCO Field Investigator.

**Superior Street/SR 65**

Superior Street is a heavily traveled four lane roadway traveling East/West and intersecting a single track of CSX traveling North/South. Existing warning devices include flashing lights, pavement markings, advanced warning signs and crossbucks.

**SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS**

We reviewed the plans and estimates for the proposed project. The plans and estimates appear to be fundamentally correct but the site plan doesn't specify the location for each mast and the equipment house. Their placement is expected to meet the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requirements.

Construction authorization is granted for this project with the following conditions:

- 1) Each light mast is to be placed no closer than a minimum of 2' from the face of the vertical curb to the closest part of the signal or gate arm in its upright position (or 4'3" from the edge of the curb to the center of the mast).
- 2) Each light mast shall be placed no closer than a minimum of 12' from the centerline of the tracks.
- 3) The equipment house should be placed at least 30' from the edge of the highway and at least 25' from the nearest rail.

**If these conditions cannot be met onsite then contact should be made to the PUCO for clarification.**

Jill Henry  
PUCO Rail Specialist  
Date: April 2, 2015