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

Re: Petition for Exemption of Norfolk Southern Railroad Crossing: Record ID: 3213 AARDOT: 502475E Survey Site ID: MAH027 County: Mahoning Township: Elisworth Street: South Duck Creek Road

Dear PUCO Representative,

The Mahoning County Engineer's Office is petitioning for a railroad crossing exemption under Ohio Revised Code 4511.63. This is a two lane roadway with a speed limit that is not posted. This office feels that making this crossing exempt would increase safety for school buses and HAZMAT vehicles by eliminating their need to stop.

At this time the tracks have been resurfaced over with asphalt concrete. By exempting this crossing, no vehicles would be required to stop, creating fewer hazards and increasing safety for the traveling public.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mike Stipetich, of my office at 330-799-1581, Ext. 8112 or via email at <u>mstipetich@mahoningcountyoh.gov</u>. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

Patrick T. Currette /KB

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C: M. Stipetich D. Pellin, JMSD, via email



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