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Via Fax (614-752-8351) and First Class Mail

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re:

In the Matter of a Request by the City of Van Wert for an Exemption form Stopping for School Buses and Hazardous Materials Vehicles at the U.S. 127/244 Industrial Spur Crossing (AARDOT 934 702B) Located in Van Wert, Ohio, Case No. 16-1599-RR-RCP

To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of the Chicago, Ft. Wayne & Eastern Railroad ("CFER") regarding the above-referenced matter. CFER does not currently operate, nor does it have the current right to operate, over the portion of track at issue in the above-referenced matter ("Track"). CFER is, however, the common carrier railroad designated for the Track. Since CFER does not currently operate over the Track, it does not presently oppose the City of Van Wert's request, however, should CFER initiate operations over the Track in the future, it reserves its right to reopen this matter and object to same.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

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