Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Memo

To: Docketing Division

From: Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division

Cc: PUCO Legal Department

Date: 12/12/17

Re: PUCO Case No. 17-457-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for the Installation of Active Warning Devices at the Norfolk Southern Railway Crossing, Marrian Road/TR 183 DOT# 503-121N, in Ashtabula County, Ohio.

On January 3, 2017, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for Norfolk Southern Railway to install lights and gates at Marrian Road/TR 183 DOT# 503-121N, in Ashtabula County, Ohio. The crossing was surveyed on March 28, 2016 and found to warrant the upgrade.

On March 22, 2017, the Commission approved the project and ordered completion by December 22, 2017.

On December 8, 2017, NS filed for a 60 extension (see attached). In the request, NS states that they encountered an unanticipated utility concern that has delayed the cut-in and that the light and gates have been installed. NS has informed Staff that there was an issue getting the power service request finalized and installed. This issue has now been resolved.

ORDC has indicated to Staff that they are supportive of the extension request. Since the issue has been resolved and all that is left is the project testing and cut-in, Staff recommends that the Commission grant a 30 day extension request.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Authorization of Norfolk Southern Railway Company to Install Active Warning Devices in Ashtabula County. Case No. 17-457-RR-FED

: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF PROJECT DEADLINE

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Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("NSRC") respectfully requests an extension of time of sixty (60) days – through February 20, 2018 – of the involved project deadline.

A memorandum in support is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

By Finding and Order of March 22, 2017, the Commission authorized NSRC to install new lights and gates at the Marrian Road/Township Road 183 grade crossing in Ashtabula County, with an assigned project completion deadline of December 22, 2017.

Substantial progress has been made – specifically, NSRC has in fact constructed the involved lights and gates, working with the involved highway authority to accommodate a prospective roadway widening project. But along the way, NSRC encountered an unanticipated utility concern which has delayed actual cut-in. NSRC has worked with the involved utility company, to resolve the concern, and expects to be in a position to complete related testing, and accomplish cut-in, by February 20, 2018.

In light of the above, NSRC respectfully requests that it be granted an extension of time of sixty (60) days – through February 20, 2018 – within which to complete the involved construction project.

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Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing Request for Extension of Project Deadline was filed electronically with the Commission this 8th day of December, 2017. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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