Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Memo

To: Docketing Division

From: Jill Henry, Chief, Rail Division

Cc: PUCO Legal Department

Date: 8/27/2021

Re: PUCO Case No. 21-895-RR-FED- In the Matter of a Request for the Installation of Active Warning Devices and a Grade Crossing Surface at Cincinnati Eastern Railroad Grade Crossing, DOT# 481-736R, on Round Bottom Road/CR 106 in Clermont County, Ohio.

On April 15, 2019, the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) authorized funding for Cincinnati Eastern Railroad (CCET) to install lights and gates and surface reconstruction at Round Bottom Road/CR 106, DOT#481-736R, grade crossing in Clermont County, Ohio. The crossing was surveyed, on May 11, 2018, and was found to warrant the upgrades. The electric utility provider for this crossing is Duke Energy.

The project will be paid for with federal funds and is actual cost. The plans and estimates for the project in the amount of \$441,907.24 have been approved. Construction may commence at once. **Staff requests a Finding & Order with completion of the project in nine months.** 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 <u>railroad will be responsible</u> 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.

Please serve the following parties of record:

Cincinnati Eastern Railroad Mr. Chris Whitley 8330 Broadwell Road Cincinnati, OH 45244

40 Services LLC Michael Forte Project Manager PO Box 3108 Westerville, OH 43086

Ohio Rail Development Commission Allen Bell Manager Grade Crossing Safety Programs 1980 West Broad Street Mail Stop #3140 Columbus, OH 43223

Clermont County Engineer Jeremy Evans County Engineer 2381 Clermont Center Drive Batavia, OH 45103

Duke Energy

OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO: Jill Henry, Rail Division Chief, PUCO

FROM: Allen Bell, Manager, Safety Section, ORDC

BY: Michael Lynch

SUBJECT: CLE Round Bottom 481736R PID 108517

DATE: 7/26/2021

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) established a diagnostic survey at the subject location on 5/11/2018. The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) attended the review. The Diagnostic Team recommended the improvement of warning devices to flashing lights, roadway gates and surface reconstruction. Copies of the diagnostic review form and the plan and estimate are attached.

PE has already been provided by the railroad. ORDC accepts the site plans and estimates as provided. Please issue a construction-only order for the project outlined above. ORDC recommends a nine (9) month construction timeline. 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

Letter Agreement PE Authorization

Plan, Estimate & Material List Construction Authorization

c: Jill Henry, Rail Division Chief, PUCO Michael Lynch ORDC Project Manager (file)



Mike DeWine, Governor Jon Husted, Lt. Governor

Mark Policinski, Chair

Date: July 20, 2021

Mr. Chris Whitley President Cincinnati Eastern Railroad 43 W Union Street Liberty, IN 47353

RE: CLE, Round Bottom Rd., DOT#481-736R, PID 108517.

Dear: Mr. Chris Whitley,

The bid process for the referenced project is acceptable. The CCET may proceed with the construction of the proposed grade crossing warning system and surface re construction 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 \$441,907.24. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted but must be confirmed in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

This authorization is contingent upon CCET accepting the following instructions:

- 1. CCET's project foreman will furnish written notification five (5) working days prior to the date work will start at the project site to Michael Lynch, ORDC, email Michael.lynch@dot.ohio.gov and to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, email Jill.henry@puco.state.oh.us. CCET'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.
- 2. CCET 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 CCET.



- 3. CCET's project foremen will notify Michael Lynch at 614-395-1824 (telephone) or Michael.lynch@dot.state.ohio.gov (email) 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.
- 4. Open cut of roadways is *not permitted* except in unusual circumstances and must be coordinated with the local highway authority and preapproved by ORDC.
- 5. CCET will furnish two (2) copies of each partial bill to ORDC. Please find the enclosed Purchase Order to reference when billing.
- 6. CCET 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.
- 7. This installation will include any ancillary work to make the warning devices function as designed and meet MUTCD.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Sincerely,

Michael Lynch

Project Manager

Attachment: ODOT P.O.

Michael Lynch

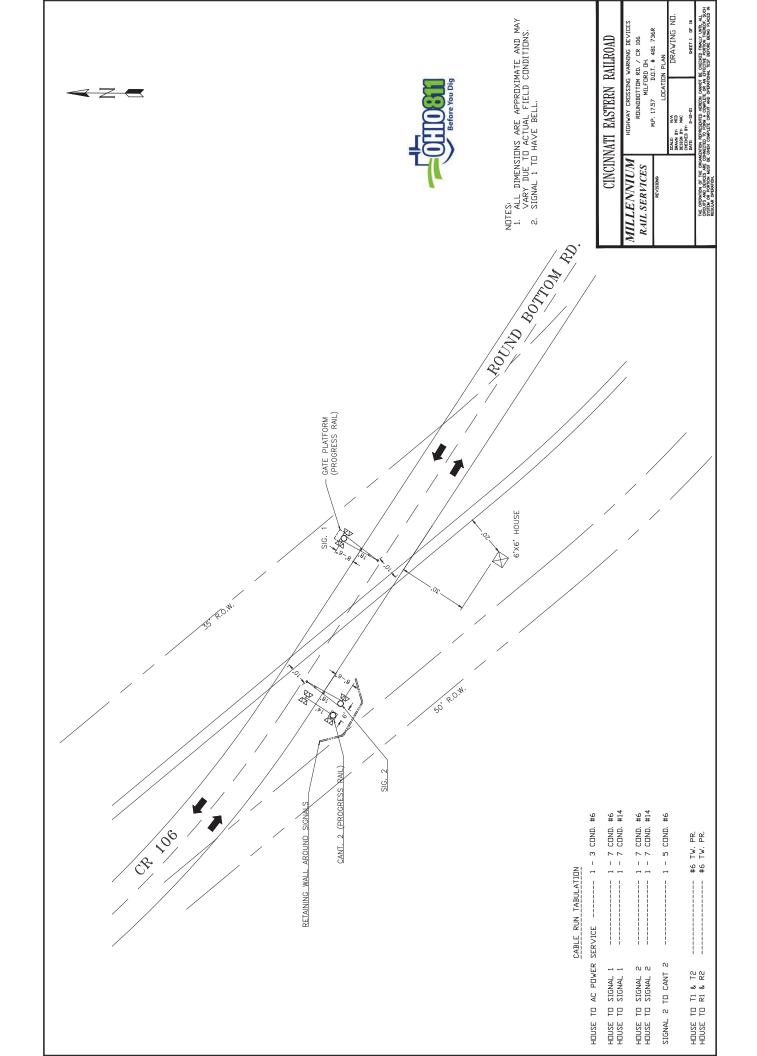
C: John Williams, Director of Transportation, PUCO Jill Henry, Rail Division Chief, PUCO ORDC (file)

GRADE CROSSING PROJECT ESTIMATE CLE – C.R. 106, ROUND BOTTOM ROAD / 481 736R CINCINNATI EASTERN RAILROAD

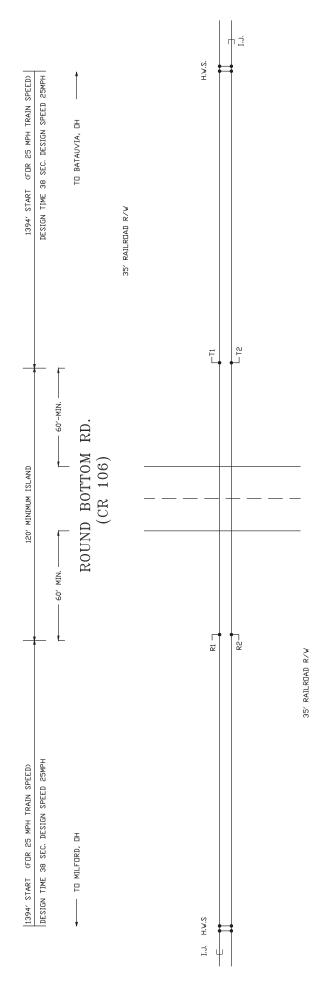
Provided by 40 Services LLC

ESTIMATE:

Item	Cost
Crossing Reconstruction Bid (Wintrow)	\$ 133,988.42
Warning Device Engineering and Construction Bid (Millennium)	\$ 216,182.24
Meter Pole (Crosier)	\$ 5,000.00
Signal 1 Berm Wall (Millennium)	\$ 19,893.58
Boring (Millennium)	\$15,443.00
Duke Energy Electric Service	\$ 15,000.00
Phone Utility Relocation (Cincinnati Bell)	\$ 1,000.00
Cincinnati Eastern - Accounting	\$ 1,000.00
Cincinnati Eastern - Signal Maintainer	\$ 2,500.00
Millennium Rail Services RRPL Insurance	\$ 1,400.00
40 Services Management	\$ 27,000.00
Video System	\$ 3,500.00
Total	\$ 441,907.24

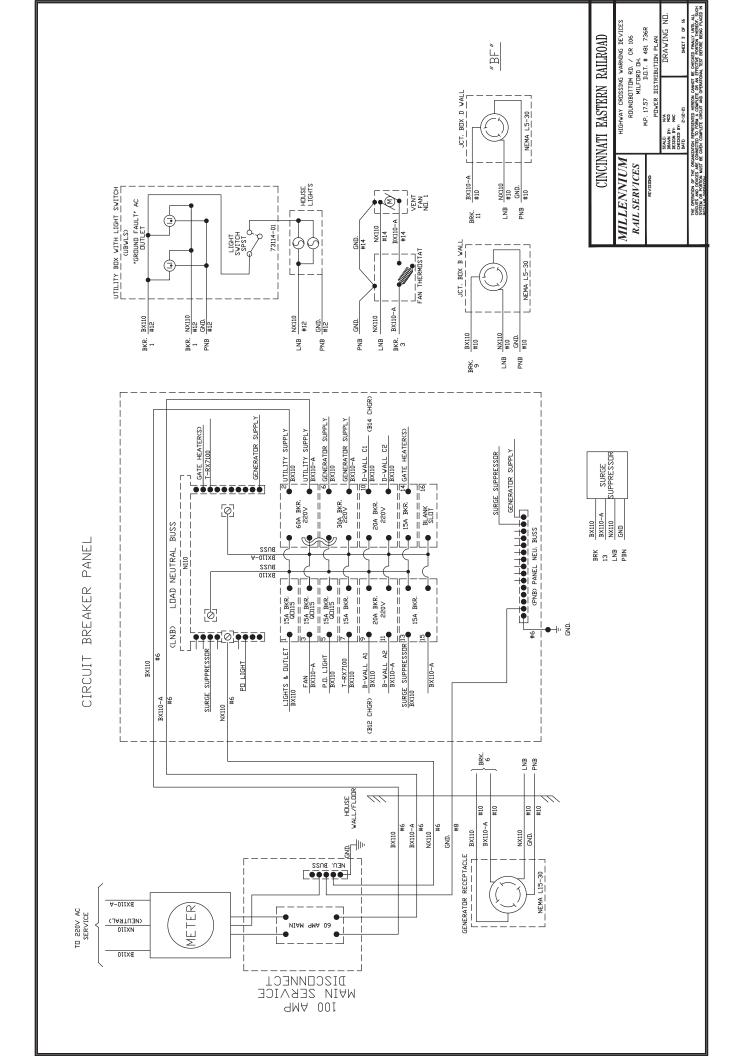


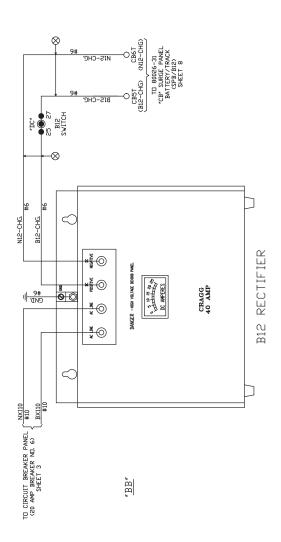


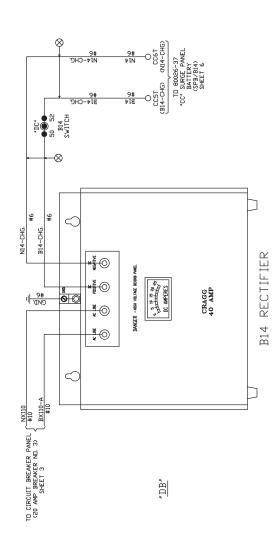


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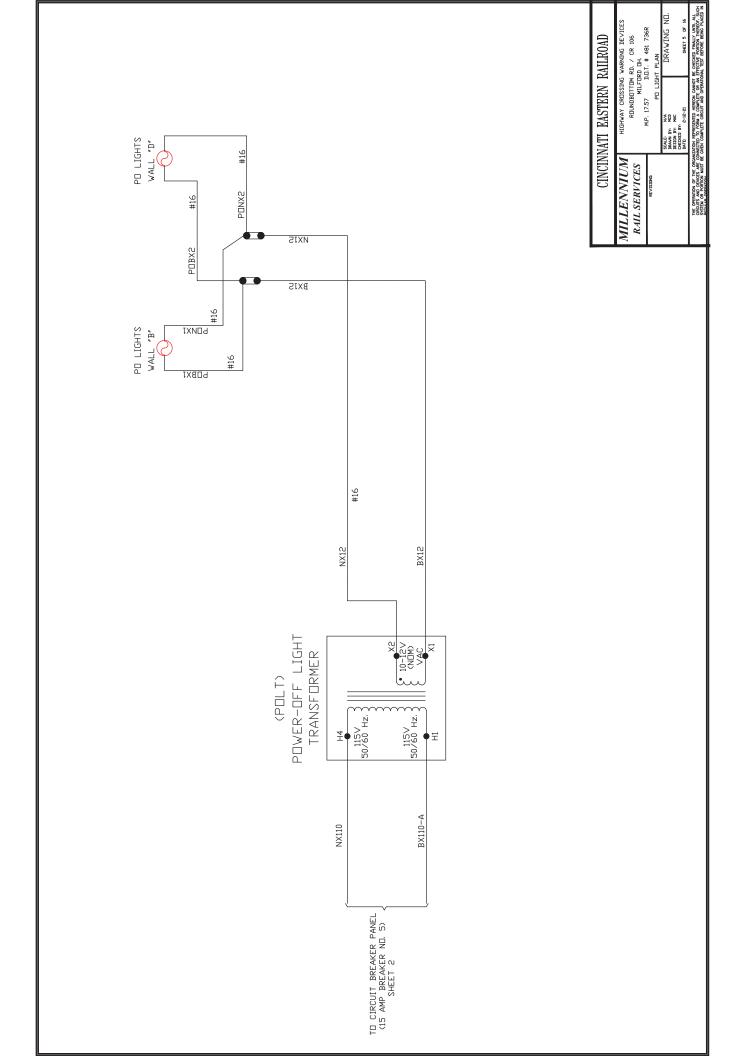


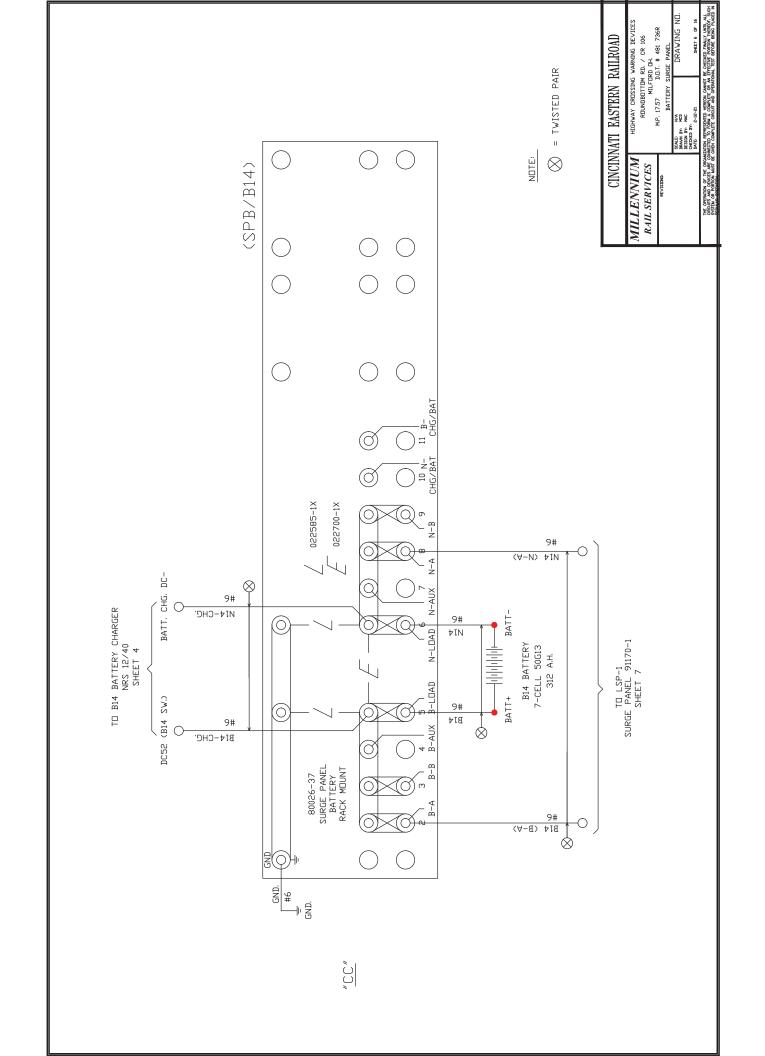


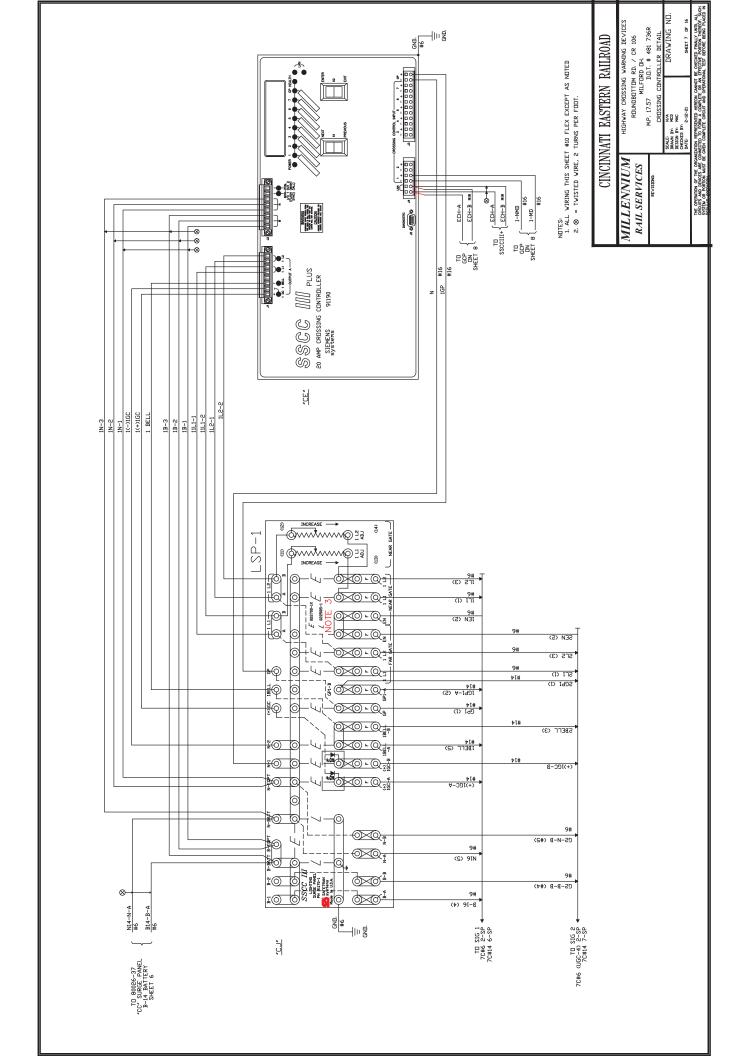
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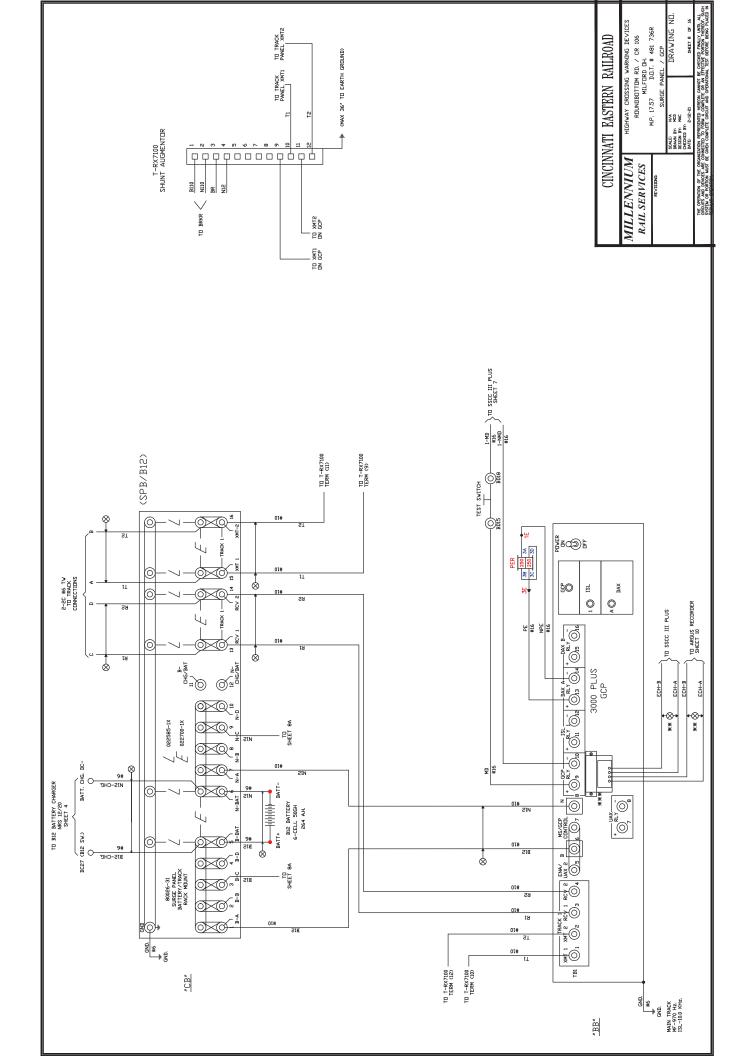
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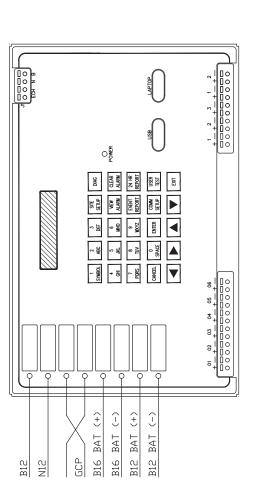


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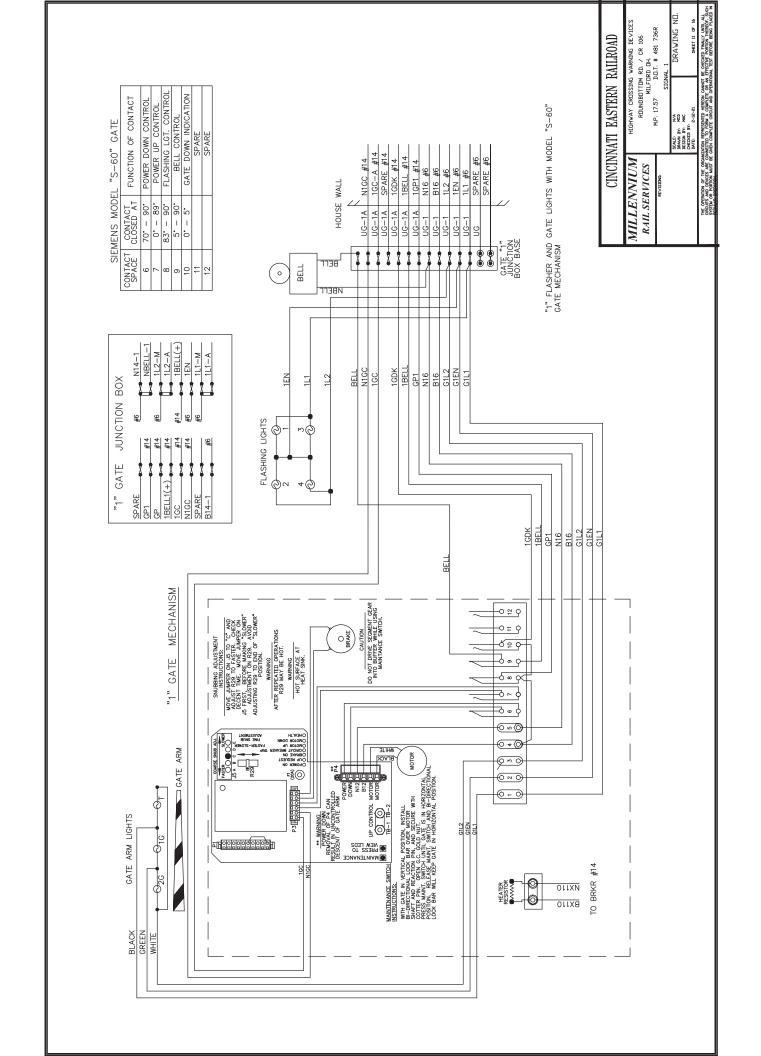
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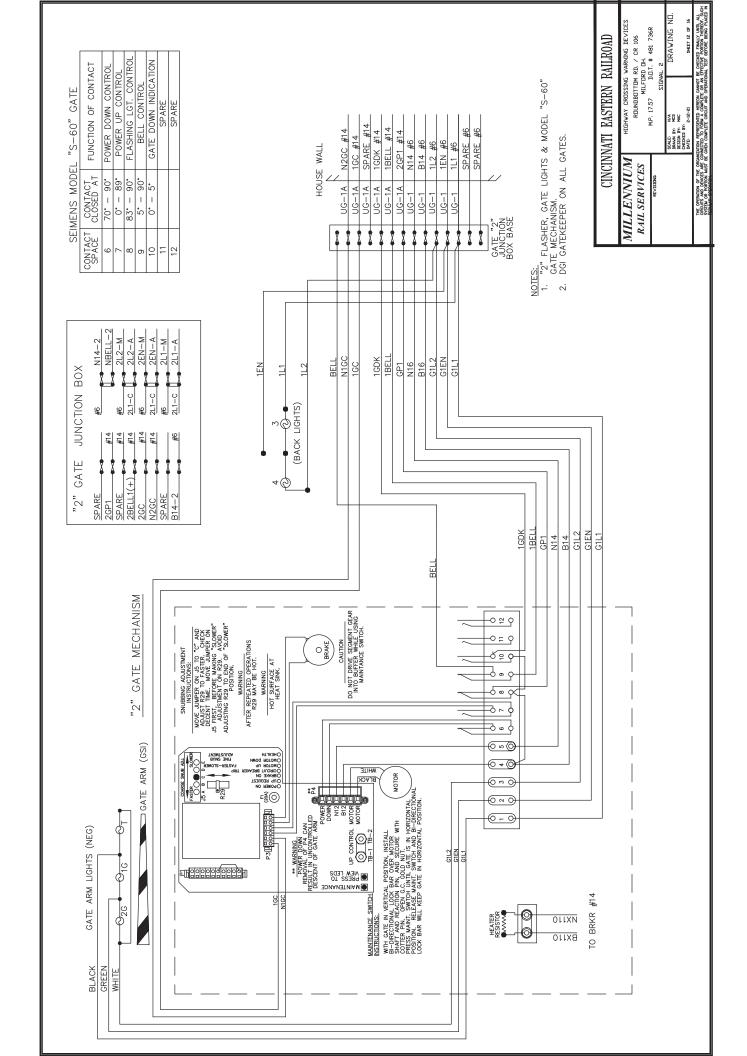
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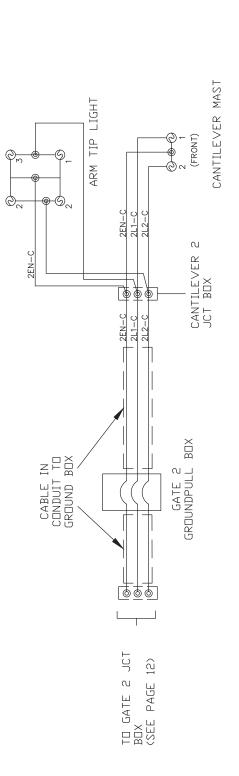


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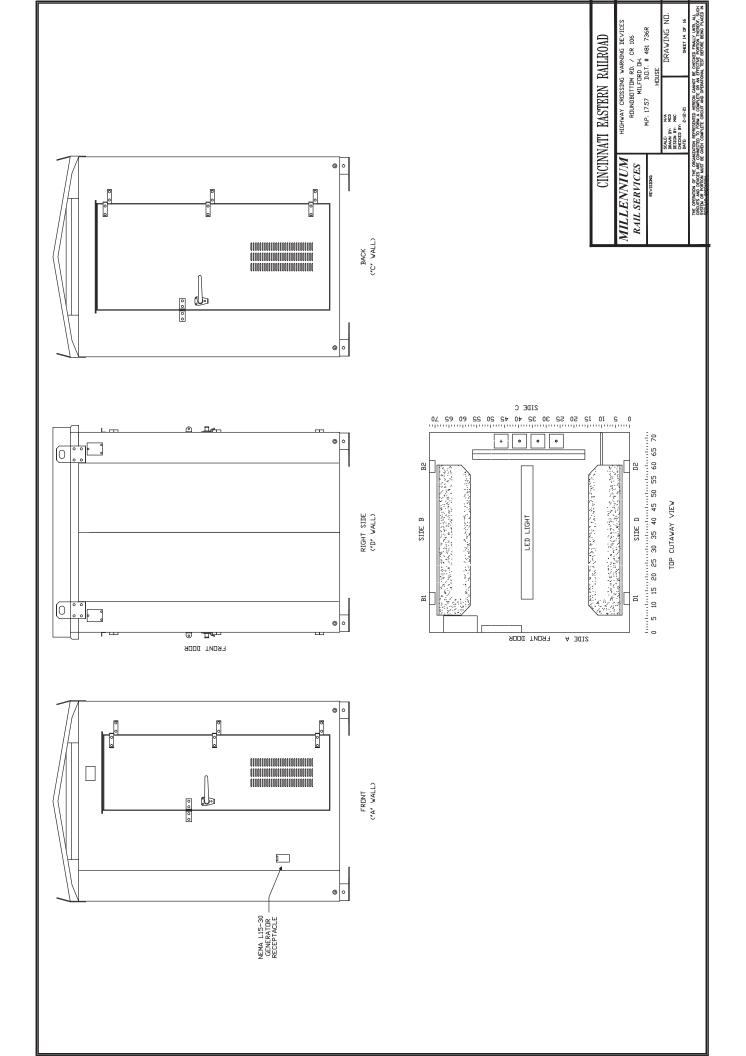
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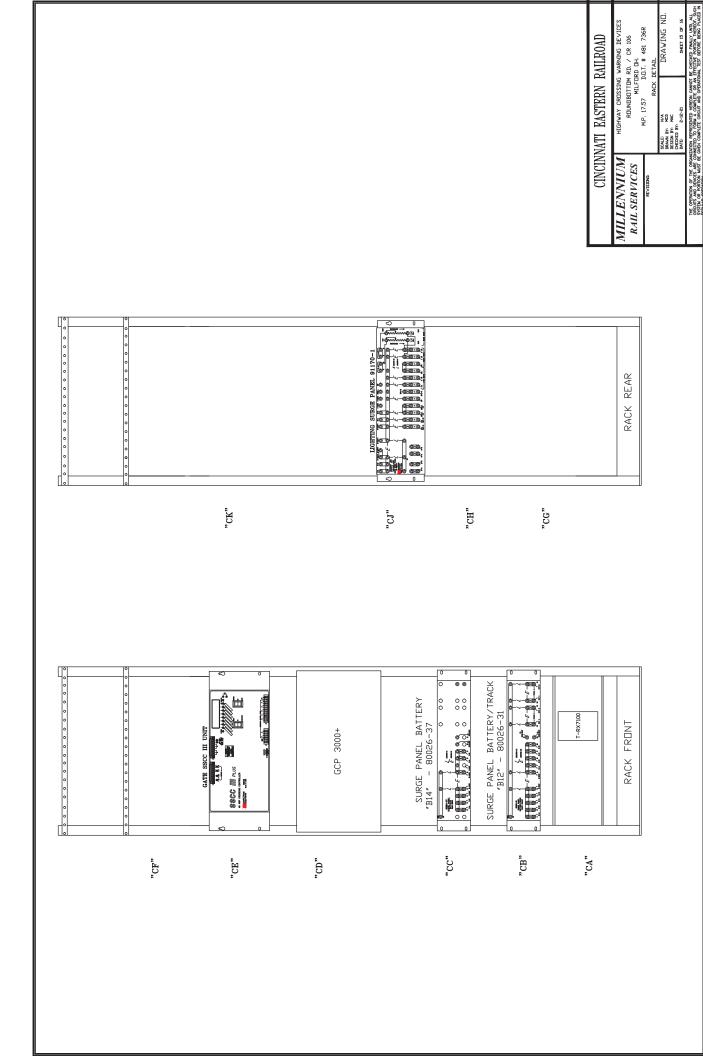


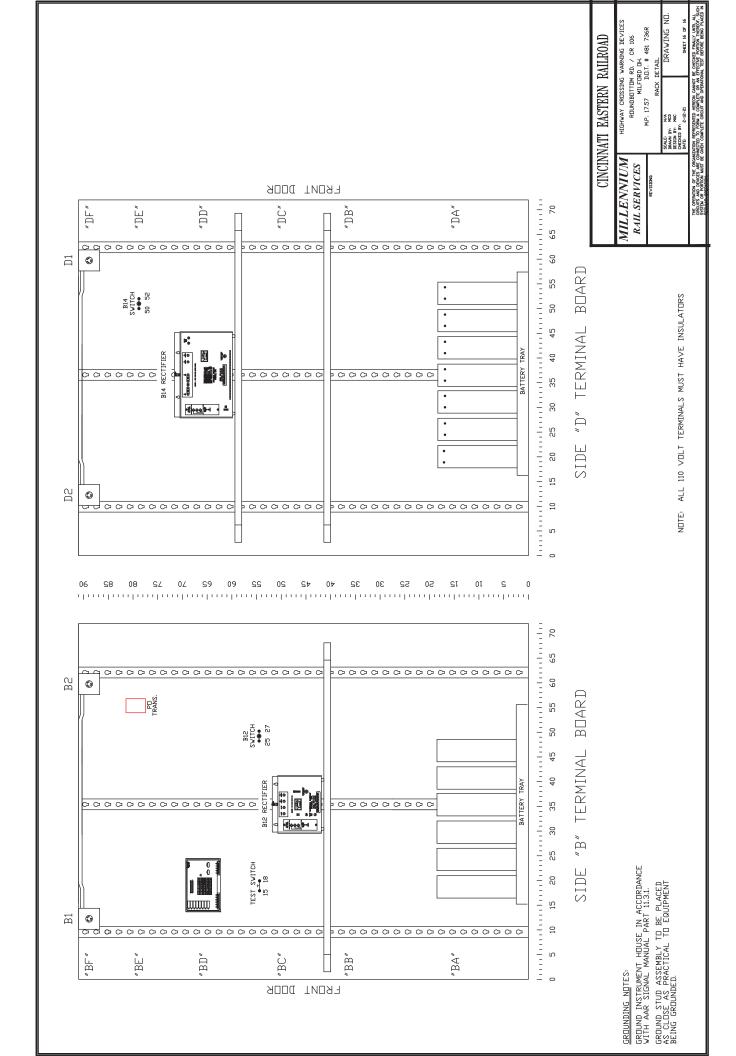




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Date 4/17/20

Railroad: Cincinnati Eastern Railroad

RE: CLE, CR 106, DOT# 481736R, PID# 108517

Dear Mr. Whitley:

The plan and estimate transmitted 4/3/20, for the referenced project has been reviewed and is acceptable. Cincinnati Eastern Railroad may proceed with soliciting bids for 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.

A construction authorization will be sent once the bid documents have been received and approved. No field work may be started without a construction authorization from this office.

Sincerely,

Michael Lynch, Project Manager

Michael Lynch

Ohio Railroad Development Commission

C: Randall Schumacher, Supervisor, Rail Division, PUCO Jill Henry, Rail Division Specialist, PUCO ORDC (file)

CINCINNATI EASTERN RAILROAD

CROSSING REBUILD PROJECT

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

County Road 106, Round Bottom Road/USDOT 481 736R

Clermont County, Ohio (near Summerside)
Latitude 39.139732 and Longitude -84.257952

GENERAL: Contractor shall furnish all materials, labor, equipment, means and appliances to rehabilitate the railroad track and crossing surface of the Round Bottom Road crossing of Cincinnati Eastern Railroad. Contractor will secure permits, and traffic maintenance to the satisfaction of the local highway authority and ORDC. Contractor shall remove the existing track structure and install new rail, sub ballast, ballast, ties, approach ties, concrete panel crossing surface, signal conduit, and highway pavements. Contractor will dispose of all removed track and crossing material and cleanup work area to the satisfaction of Cincinnati Eastern Railroad or its designated representative, and the ORDC. Contractor is responsible for protection of all utilities, both underground and overhead. Contractor shall contact Ohio Utility Protection Service, and non-member utility companies to determine location of utilities.

SCOPE OF WORK: Round Bottom Road will be closed to all traffic at the crossing during the construction period. Contractor will utilize Type 3 Barricades with lights on each approach as specified in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Contractor will remove all existing roadway materials within 6' of existing crossing surface. Contractor will remove rail, ties, asphalt, ballast, and sub ballast the length of the crossing plus 15' on each end, to a depth 12" below ties. A 140' long signal conduit for future signal cables shall be installed 30" below ties, outside the track structure. And a 10' signal conduit is to be installed across the tracks. The Contractor shall install new ballast, ties, plates, spikes, rails, anchors, and 120' concrete panel crossing surface. The asphalt highway approaches shall be rebuilt per ODOT highway specifications.

MATERIALS

<u>Concrete Crossing Panels:</u> Crossing panels to be installed shall be either: Omni Embedded Concrete-Rubber Crossing, Century Lagtype Crossing, Vossloh Concrete Panels. Contractor will be responsible for arranging shipping and unloading. Crossing will be installed per manufacturer's instructions. The track profile and alignment shall be adjusted for any necessary corrections.

Rail: New rails for the crossing shall be 132 RE or 136 RE with blank ends. Four 80' sticks are required. Rail shall be free from injurious defects and flaws of all kinds. All joints within 20 feet of the crossing surface must be welded. The existing rail is 132 RE. All rail is to be saw cut only, no torch cutting.

<u>Ties:</u> Ten-foot ties shall be installed under the crossing panels. Five additional 10' ties shall be installed beyond the crossing surface at each end. Twenty 9' approach ties are to be installed beyond the 10' ties on each approach. All newly installed ties shall be 7"x9" No. 5 oak and shall be 100% end plated. Ties shall be treated with a creosote-coal tar solution.

<u>Tie Plates:</u> New or highest quality relay tie plates are acceptable with minimum 8-hole punching. Minimum size is 7.75 inch x 13.0 inch. Tie plates shall be double shoulder, cold rolled low carbon steel for all new ties and rail installed.

Rail Anchors: New or highest quality relay appropriate size rail anchors shall be installed 2 per new tie.

Spikes: Track spikes shall be new there shall be 6 per tie plate on the rail.

<u>Signal Conduit:</u> A 5" diameter, 140' long schedule 80 PVC conduit for future signal cables shall be installed 30" below ties, outside the track structure. The ends are to be capped and marked for future excavation. A 4" (minimum), 10' schedule 80 PVC conduit shall be installed at the north end of the crossing excavation. The conduit shall be perpendicular to the tracks, 30" below ties.

<u>Highway:</u> Highway asphalt must meet the approval of the ORDC project manager. They typically require butt joints and expect a smooth transition from pavement to crossing. Asphalt shall be installed per ODOT specifications. Highway materials will be compacted with a vibratory roller.

<u>Ballast:</u> Ballast gradation shall be #4. The track shall be machine tamped and aligned.

<u>Field Welds & Joint Bars:</u> Contractor will fuse any joints within 20 feet of the crossing surface using thermite welds to fuse the rail ends. Beyond 20 feet, forged bars, or welds are acceptable.

REQUIREMENTS

Coordination: Work must be coordinated with Cincinnati Eastern Railroad train operations.

Work Rules: Contractor is to provide flagging.

Wages: Prevailing wages are not required.

<u>Insurance:</u> Automobile Liability in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00. Comprehensive General Liability in an amount not less than \$5,000,000.00 per occurrence and \$10,000,000.00 annual aggregate, whether claims made or occurrence formatted CGL. Railroad Protective Insurance is required. RPI limit is be \$2,000,000 each occurrence/ \$6,000,000 aggregate.

<u>Quality:</u> All material handling and workmanship shall meet American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-way Association (AREMA) specifications. Cincinnati Eastern Railroad or its designated representative shall inspect and approve of all materials and workmanship. The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) representative shall inspect and approve of all materials and construction.

Project Dates: Construction is to be completed prior to July 20, 2020.

GRADE CROSSING SURFACE SITE SURVEY FORM

Railroad: Cincinnati Eastern I	Railroad	Subdivision: So	cioto	
Crossing Name: CR 106, Round	Bottom Rd.		Dot #:48	31 736R
City, County, Borough, Township	p: Clermon	t County		
MP:17.57 Existing	Length: 80'	Pro	posed Length:	120′
Existing Rail Section:132 RE	<u> </u>	Proposed Rail Sec	ction: Four 80's	ticks of 132 or 136RE
Existing Surface: Timber & aspl	halt/flange	New Surface	: Concrete p	anels
Signals: Yes	Ins	sulated Joints Need	ded: No	
Signal Conduit: Yes	Welding Mand	atory: Yes	_ Number of	welds: 6
Drainage: None				
Fouled Ballast: No				
Train Schedule: 2 per day				
Detour Needs: Yes - full road c	losure. Highwa	y authority: Clerm	ont County Engi	neer
Other Information: Signal conc	duit shall be 140	o', 5" dia. Schedule	80 PVC, 30" bel	ow ties. Meet ORDC
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GRADE CROSSING SURFACE SITE SURVEY FORM

Images:

Aerial



North side of highway viewing southeast



OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION



Mail Stop #3140, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus OH 43223 Mike DeWine, Governor • Mark Policinski, ORDC Chairman

April 15, 2019

Mr. Chris Whitley President Cincinnati Eastern Railroad 43 W Union Street Liberty, IN 47353

RE: Clermont County, Round Bottom Road/CR 106, DOT#481-736R, PID 108517

Dear Mr. Chris Whitley:

A diagnostic review was held at the above grade crossing on 5/11/2018. The crossing has been recommended for the installation of lights and gates.

Cincinnati Eastern Railroad is authorized to proceed with the site plans and cost estimates or bid package for this project. This authorization is made with the stipulation and understanding that any field work needs prior approval before 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. Please note that the railroad must provide ORDC with a plan stamped by a professional engineer licensed in the State of Ohio prior to acceptance and close out of the project.

The diagnostic review form is attached. Please note any recommendations (page 5), if any, made by the team about requirements for this location. Any minor roadway work necessary for MUTCD compliance should be incorporated into the PE and such costs will flow through the railroad reimbursement process.

The Project Manager for this project is Michael C Lynch. Michael can be reached at (614) 466-3382, or Michael.Lynch@dot.ohio.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Michael Lynch

Michael Lynch

Project Manager

C: Randall Schumacher, Chief, Rail Division, PUCO Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, PUCO



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Heather Hamilton, ORDC ORDC (file)

Attachments: 3 (diagnostic review form, letter agreement, purchase order)



M. Beth Trombold Thomas W. Johnson Lawrence K. Friedeman Daniel R. Conway

March 11, 2019

Mr. Chris Whitley President Cincinnati Eastern Railroad 43 W Union Street Liberty, IN 47353

> Re: Clermont County, Round Bottom Road/CR 106, DOT#481-736R, hereinafter referred to as the "Project"

Dear Mr. Whitley:

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) has identified and the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) surveyed, on May 11, 2018, the above mentioned grade crossing for warning device upgrades. The location has been approved for flashing lights and roadway gates.

The Project shall comply with Master Warning Device Agreement No. 33138, dated March 4, 2019, and entered into by the State of Ohio and Cincinnati Eastern Railroad (RAILROAD). Furthermore, the RAILROAD shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws governing grade crossing safety programs.

Preliminary engineering and construction costs shall be borne one hundred percent (100%) by ORDC. Reimbursable costs will be limited by ORDC based upon approved estimates and bid tabulations, if applicable. These limits will be quantified by the ORDC in its construction authorization to the RAILROAD and may be amended by the ORDC based upon revised estimates and bid tabulations. Additional costs must be approved in writing by the ORDC prior to being incurred. Emergency verbal authorizations by ORDC may be permitted but must be confirmed in writing within ten (10) business days of the verbal approval.

The RAILROAD shall complete plans and estimates for the Project within ninety (90) days after the RAILROAD is notified of authorization to proceed unless otherwise agreed by ORDC/PUCO and the RAILROAD.

The RAILROAD shall not commence construction prior to receipt of PUCO's Order and ORDC's construction authorization. The RAILROAD shall provide written notification of the construction start date to PUCO and ORDC no later than five (5) business days prior to such date.

Please indicate your acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Letter of Agreement by signing and returning one (1) copy to Ms. Jill Henry, Rail Specialist, Rail Division, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

Sincerely,

John Williams

Director of Transportation

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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By CHRIS WHITLEY

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Date 03/13/2019

Matthew Dietrich

Executive Director

Ohio Rail Development Commission

Date

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IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR A MASTER AGREMENT FOR MODIFICATION OF WARNING DEVICES ON THE CCET LLC d/b/a CINCINNATI EASTERN RAILROAD IN THE STATE OF OHIO

AGREEMENT NO. 33138

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into on this 4 day of March, 2019 by and among the Ohio Rail Development Commission ("ORDC") and the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO Staff") (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "STATE"), and CCET LLC d/b/a Cincinnati Eastern Railroad("RAILROAD").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") has statutory authority to regulate and promote the welfare and safety of railroad employees and the traveling public pursuant to Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") §4905.04; and

WHEREAS, the ORDC is charged with the statutory authority under ORC §4981.03 to develop, promote, and support safe, adequate, and efficient rail service throughout the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, ORC §4907.471 requires the PUCO to survey all public highway-railroad grade crossings in the State of Ohio to determine the probability of crashes at each grade crossing, and to systematically provide for the modification of railroad warning devices (hereinafter referred to as "PROJECTS"); and

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act thereto provides funding for the cost to eliminate hazards at public grade crossings provides funding for the cost of installing warning devices to eliminate hazards at public grade crossings, which funding is administered jointly by the PUCO and ORDC pursuant to ORC §4907.476; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto propose to facilitate the modifications identified in this AGREEMENT in accordance with the Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") and applicable provisions of Title 23 of the United States Code pursuant to the terms hereof; and

WHEREAS, this agreement and any information or documentation relating thereto is for the purpose of identifying, evaluating, and/or planning the safety enhancement of railwayhighway crossings which may be implemented utilizing Federal-aid highway funds; and WHEREAS, the RAILROAD agrees to cooperate with the STATE in the implementation of PROJECTS in furtherance of the public safety; and

WHEREAS the STATE and RAILROAD will execute this AGREEMENT to specify details for the modification of warning devices at each designated grade crossing; and

WHEREAS, it is desired by the parties hereto to accomplish PROJECTS at highway-railroad grade crossing(s) and to determine and agree upon the manner of performing all such work necessary and incidental thereto, the respective responsibilities of said parties, and the proportion of the costs and expenses to be paid by each of the parties and the mode and time of payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The work and the construction to be performed under this AGREEMENT, including the preparation of plans, specifications and estimates and the purchase of materials shall be undertaken by the RAILROAD in accordance with plans and specifications which meet 23 CFR, the standards approved by the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way and RAILROAD standards.

Identification of highway-rail grade crossings to be modified under this AGREEMENT, type of modification to be performed, and the proportion of the costs and expenses to be paid by each of the parties will be accomplished by means of a Letter Agreement ("LA") (sample form which is attached hereto as EXHIBIT A as if fully rewritten herein).

The LA and the approved plans shall constitute the scope of the projects.

The RAILROAD shall be responsible for general engineering supervision of the PROJECTS under the terms of this AGREEMENT, and shall prepare or cause to be prepared and submit to the STATE, for STATE and/or federal approval, complete plans, specifications and estimates for said PROJECTS. Plans shall clearly show the existing facilities as well as the existing right of way, proposed right of way and centerline. The RAILROAD shall furnish such engineering services as may be necessary to install the PROJECTS, subject to review and approval by the STATE.

The RAILROAD shall complete the preparation of Plans and Estimates ("PE") within ninety (90) days or other time frame directed by the ORDC or PUCO in the PE authorization, and the installation of the PROJECTS shall be completed within nine (9) months or other time frame specified by the ORDC or PUCO in the construction authorization. The RAILROAD

shall be responsible for payment in a timely manner of all bills for supplies, materials, equipment, labor and other costs incurred to complete the PROJECTS, and shall not permit liens or any other type of encumbrance to be placed upon all or any portion of the PROJECTS installed pursuant to this AGREEMENT. The STATE, through its authorized agents, shall have the right to inspect the crossing site prior to performance of any PROJECTS work and at any stage during the installation of PROJECTS at grade crossing(s).

In the event conditions or circumstances require a change in scope of the RAILROAD's work on the PROJECTS as set forth in the approved plan(s) and estimate(s) the changes must be made in writing and approved by ORDC and the PUCO. Should the RAILROAD request a change in the scope of work, the RAILROAD's work shall accommodate the time necessary for STATE to process the change request.

After completion of the PROJECTS, the RAILROAD shall operate, maintain and renew, at its sole expense, all PROJECTS and other of its facilities constructed or changed under the terms of this AGREEMENT in good operating order. Nothing stated herein shall deny the RAILROAD the right to seek reimbursement of the costs for the maintenance and renewal of the PROJECTS and other of its facilities constructed or changed under the terms of this AGREEMENT, if such reimbursement is then provided for by Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA") regulations and/or the ORC.

II. COST ALLOCATION AND BILLING

The allocation of costs will be determined in the LA. The total costs for the modifications borne by the STATE shall not exceed actual cost of the modifications, approved estimate and the STATE share outlined in the LA.

RAILROAD shall notify ORDC and PUCO Staff in writing of any changes in the scope of work which are not in the approved plans and estimates and secure approval in writing of same before the work is performed. Such changes to the approved plans and estimates may also require review and approval by the PUCO.

The costs assigned to ORDC shall be satisfied through the expenditure of Federal funds administered by ORDC and subject to approval by the FHWA. In the event that delays or difficulties arise in securing necessary Federal approvals which, in the opinion of ORDC, render it impracticable to utilize Federal funds for the construction of these PROJECTS, then at any time before RAILROAD is authorized to purchase or furnish the items included under this AGREEMENT, ORDC may serve formal notice of cancellation upon RAILROAD, and this AGREEMENT shall become null and void. ORDC shall reimburse RAILROAD for all eligible costs incurred on account of the modifications prior to such cancellation, including costs associated with authorized preliminary engineering for the PROJECTS.

All plans, specifications, estimates of costs, acceptance of work, and procedures in general, to facilitate the construction of the safety modifications described above, shall conform in all respects to applicable Federal laws, rules, regulations, orders, and approvals applicable to Federal-Aid PROJECTS. ORDC shall reimburse RAILROAD in accordance with 23 CFR 140, Subpart I. and 23 CFR, Part 646, Subpart B or any subsequent amendments thereto, in such amounts and form as are proper and eligible for payment from Federal-Aid highway funds. RAILROAD shall render its billings to ORDC in accordance with said rules and regulations, and RAILROAD shall also provide and furnish such itemized records of and substantiating data for such costs as may be required.

RAILROAD shall be responsible for initially paying all of its actual costs to install the modifications. RAILROAD may bill STATE no more frequently than monthly for its costs when PROJECTS costs incurred during the billing period exceed \$1,000.00. RAILROAD shall submit two (2) copies of its bill and in accordance with said rules and regulations as they have been issued or as thereafter may be supplemented or revised. A final bill covering actual cost and showing details shall be submitted to ORDC within one hundred and eighty (180) days after completion of the modifications. STATE shall pay all bills within sixty (60) days after receipt thereof, except that STATE may hold a retainer on all bills not to exceed eight percent (8%) until final payment. Final payment for all amounts due RAILROAD shall be made by STATE within sixty (60) days after a final audit has been performed and approved by ORDC. The audit shall occur within 180 days of submission of RAILROAD's final bill. RAILROAD agrees to cooperate and assist, as requested, in any such audit.

III. RECORDS RETENTION AND AUDIT

RAILROAD agrees that STATE, or its duly authorized representatives, shall, during STATE normal business hours, upon reasonable notice, in accordance with RAILROAD safety rules and regulations, and accompanied by RAILROAD personnel, be permitted to examine the records and data maintained by RAILROAD related to this AGREEMENT as may be necessary to monitor RAILROAD's compliance with this AGREEMENT.

RAILROAD shall maintain all books, documents, papers, program agreements, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to this AGREEMENT, its revenues and expenditures, and shall provide such information upon request of STATE or its designee and shall permit STATE to examine and audit those books, records, and the accounting procedures and practices of the RAILROAD relevant to this AGREEMENT. All documents and information shall be made available for review and audit at a mutually-agreeable location within the state of Ohio. The records shall be retained for three years after receipt of final payment to the RAILROAD from the STATE.

To the extent possible under applicable law, all aspects of STATES's exercise of audit rights and the results thereof, and any and all information disclosed by RAILROAD to the

STATE under this AGREEMENT, shall be held confidential, and shall not be disclosed without RAILROAD's prior written consent. Nothing in this AGREEMENT shall be construed to restrict the STATE from disclosing such confidential information as required by law or by court or administrative order, provided in each case the ORDC shall timely inform RAILROAD, if legally permissible, of the request.

RAILROAD will comply with the requirements of the ODOT Railroad Audit Circulars, available at:

http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Finance/Auditing/Pages/RailUtilities.aspx.aspx

IV. <u>NOTIFICATION</u>

All notices, consents, demands, requests and other communications which may or are required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given if personally delivered or sent by facsimile and confirmed by telephone or sent by electronic mail, or sent by United States mail, registered or certified, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the addresses set forth hereunder or to such other address as the other party hereto may designate in written notice transmitted in accordance with this provision.

If to RAILROAD: CCET LLC

d/b/a Cincinnati Eastern Railroad

43 W Union Street Liberty, IN 47353

If to PUCO Staff:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Railroad Division

180 East Broad Street, 4th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

If to ORDC:

Ohio Rail Development Commission

1980 West Broad Street, MS 3140

Columbus, OH 43223

RAILROAD shall furnish notification to STATE at least five (5) working days prior to the date work is scheduled to start at the PROJECTS site of the modifications so arrangements can be made for inspection. RAILROAD shall also notify STATE of any stoppage and resumption of the work activity, and the reasons therefore, and the date the PROJECTS work on the modifications was completed.

RAILROAD shall furnish written notification to the Local Highway Authority at least fourteen (14) working days prior to starting any work requiring the establishment of a detour for highway traffic.

V. <u>TERMINATION</u>

Said AGREEMENT shall terminate at the end of the present US Transportation Bill. If construction under this AGREEMENT is not completed by that date, it is the express intention of the parties to renew this AGREEMENT on each successive biennium period until such time as all work contemplated under this AGREEMENT has been satisfactorily completed. If it appears to ORDC or PUCO that RAILROAD has failed to perform satisfactorily any requirements of this AGREEMENT, or if RAILROAD is in violation of any provision of this AGREEMENT, or upon just cause, ORDC or PUCO may terminate the AGREEMENT after providing RAILROAD with written notice, in accordance with the notice provisions of this AGREEMENT, of its failure to perform satisfactorily any requirement of this AGREEMENT (the "Notice"), which shall provide RAILROAD with a thirty (30) day period to cure any and all defaults under this AGREEMENT.

During the thirty (30) day cure period, RAILROAD shall incur only those obligations or expenditures which are necessary to enable RAILROAD to achieve compliance as set forth in the Notice. If it is determined that RAILROAD cannot cure its default, RAILROAD shall immediately cease work under this AGREEMENT, take all necessary or appropriate steps to limit disbursements and minimize costs, and provide a report, as of the date of receipt of the Notice, setting forth the status of the work completed, the cost of the work completed and such other information as STATE shall deem pertinent.

If this AGREEMENT is terminated for breach or failure to satisfactorily perform, the breaching party shall reimburse the non-breaching party any of its costs not reimbursed by the STATE.

It is expressly understood by the parties that none of the rights, duties, and obligations described in this AGREEMENT shall be binding on any party until all statutory provisions of the ORC, including but not limited to ORC § 126.07 and 126.08 have been complied with, and until such time that all necessary funds are made available and forthcoming from the appropriate state agency and such expenditure of funds is approved, if necessary, by the Controlling Board of the State of Ohio pursuant to ORC §127.16, or in the event that federal funds are used, until such time that the ORDC gives RAILROAD written notice that such funds have been made available to the ORDC by the ORDC's funding source.

Furthermore, it is expressly understood by the parties that in the event of disapproval of this AGREEMENT by the PUCO, none of the rights, duties, and obligations described in this AGREEMENT shall be binding on any party and the STATE and RAILROAD shall work in good faith to negotiate and submit a new agreement for approval of the PUCO related to this PROJECT.

VI. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- A. <u>RAILROAD</u>: RAILROAD for itself, represents and warrants the following:
 - (1) RAILROAD has the power and authority to enter into this AGREEMENT;
 - (2) RAILROAD has the authority to carry out its obligations under this AGREEMENT; and
 - (3) No personnel of RAILROAD, any subcontractor of RAILROAD, public official, employee or member of the governing body of the particular locality where this AGREEMENT shall be completed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the review or approval of the work completed under this AGREEMENT, shall prior to the completion of said work, voluntarily or involuntarily acquire any personal monetary interest, direct or indirect, which is incompatible or in conflict with the discharge or fulfillment of his functions or responsibilities with respect to the completion of the work contemplated under this AGREEMENT. Any person who, prior to or after the execution of this AGREEMENT, acquires any personal monetary interest, involuntarily or voluntarily, shall immediately disclose his interest to STATE in writing. Thereafter, such person shall not participate in any action affecting the work under this AGREEMENT unless the STATE determines that, in light of the personal monetary interest disclosed, his participation in any such action would not be contrary to the public interest.
- B. <u>ORDC/PUCO</u>: ORDC and the PUCO Staff represent and warrant that they have the power and authority to enter into this AGREEMENT and to carry out their obligations under this AGREEMENT.

VII: OHIO ETHICS LAW REQUIREMENTS

RAILROAD affirms that it is not in violation of ORC §102.04, as that section is applicable to this AGREEMENT and RAILROAD.

VIII. FALSIFICATION OF INFORMATION

RAILROAD affirmatively covenants that it has not made any false statements to STATE in the process of obtaining this grant of funds. If RAILROAD has knowingly made a false statement to STATE to obtain this grant of funds, the RAILROAD shall be required to return all funds immediately pursuant to ORC §9.66(C) (2) and shall be ineligible for any future economic development assistance from the State, any state agency or a political subdivision pursuant to ORC §9.66(C) (1). Any person who provides a false statement to secure economic development assistance may be guilty of falsification, a misdemeanor of the first degree, pursuant to ORC

§2921.13(D)(1), which is punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) and/or a term of imprisonment of not more than six (6) months.

IX. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

In performing this AGREEMENT, the RAILROAD shall not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, or other person because of race, color, religion, gender, national origin (ancestry), military status (past, present or future), disability, age (forty (40) years of age or older), genetic information, or sexual orientation. The RAILROAD will ensure that applicants are hired and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, gender, national origin (ancestry), military status (past, present or future), disability, age (forty (40) years of age or older), genetic information, or sexual orientation. The RAILROAD shall incorporate the foregoing requirements of this paragraph in all of its contracts for any of the work prescribed herein (other than subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials) and will require all of its subcontractors for any part of such work to incorporate such requirements in all such subcontracts.

X. OHIO ELECTIONS LAW

RAILROAD represents that its participation in this AGREEMENT does not violate ORC §3517.13.

XI. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

In the event that work performed pursuant to the terms of this AGREEMENT will be done while on state property, RAILROAD hereby certifies that its rules require all of its employees, while working on state property, will not purchase, transfer, use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol or abuse prescription drugs in any way.

XII. HOLD HARMLESS PROVISION

RAILROAD covenants and agrees to indemnify and hold the STATE and its agents and employees harmless from and against any loss, claim, cause of action, damages, liability (including, without limitation, strict or absolute liability in tort or by statute imposed), charge, cost or expense (including, without limitation, counsel fees to the extent permitted by law), predicated on personal injury or death, or loss of or damage to property, and arising from any work performed pursuant to this AGREEMENT and caused by RAILROAD's negligent, intentional, willful or wanton actions or inactions, or such actions or omissions by any subcontractors that may be hired by RAILROAD under this AGREEMENT.

In case any action involving any work covered by this AGREEMENT is brought by or against any party or parties, said party or parties shall promptly notify the other party or parties of such action.

XIII. UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES AFFECTING PERFORMANCE

In the event that RAILROAD cannot meet any or all of the obligations placed upon it by the terms of this AGREEMENT, (1) RAILROAD shall immediately notify STATE in writing, and (2) STATE may, at its sole discretion, make reasonable efforts to assist RAILROAD in meeting its obligations under the AGREEMENT.

If RAILROAD is unable to complete the PROJECTS within the time period set forth in the Order issued by the PUCO, RAILROAD must request an extension of time to complete the PROJECTS. All such requests must be submitted to the PUCO in accordance with PUCO guidelines.

XIV. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The RAILROAD agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, executive orders, and applicable ODOT manuals and guidelines. RAILROAD accepts full responsibility for payments of all unemployment compensation, insurance premiums, workers' compensation premiums, all income tax deductions, social security deductions, and any and all other taxes or payroll deductions required for all employees engaged by RAILROAD on the performance of the work authorized by this AGREEMENT.

Also, if the RAILROAD has knowingly made a false statement to the ORDC to obtain these funds, the RAILROAD shall be required to return all funds immediately pursuant to ORC Section 9.66(C)(2) and shall be ineligible for any future economic development assistance from the State, any state agency or a political subdivision pursuant to O.R.C. Section 9.66(C)(1). Any person who provides a false statement to secure economic development assistance may be guilty of falsification, a misdemeanor of the first degree, pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2921.13(D)(1), which is punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) and/or a term of imprisonment of not more than six (6) months.

Further, during the performance of this AGREEMENT, the RAILROAD, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest, which includes consultants) agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-Aid programs and projects)
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex)
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability) and 49 CFR Part 27
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age)
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 U.S.C. § 471, Section 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex)
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-209) (broadened the scope, coverage, and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of Federal-Aid recipients, sub-recipients, and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not)
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189), as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38 (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities)
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-Discrimination Statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex)
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (ensures non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations)
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for People with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title

VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100)

- Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended (prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status (presence of child under the age of 18 and pregnant women)
- Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities)

During the performance of this AGREEMENT, the RAILROAD for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest further agrees as follows:

- 1. Compliance with Regulations: The RAILROAD (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and Regulations relative to Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, FHWA, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this AGREEMENT.
- 2. Non-discrimination: The RAILROAD, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income status, or limited English proficiency in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The RAILROAD will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations as set forth in Appendix E, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21.
- 3. Solicitations for Subcontractors, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the RAILROAD for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income status, or limited English proficiency.
- 4. Information and Reports: The RAILROAD will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information and its facilities as may be determined by the Director or FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of the RAILROAD is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the

RAILROAD will so certify to the ORDC or FHWA, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

- 5. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the RAILROAD's noncompliance with the Nondiscrimination provisions of this AGREEMENT, ORDC will impose such contract sanctions as it or FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
- a. withholding payments to the RAILROAD under the AGREEMENT until the RAILROAD complies; and/or
 - b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending the AGREEMENT, in whole or in part.
- 6. Incorporation of Provisions: The RAILROAD will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. The RAILROAD will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as ORDC or FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the RAILROAD becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the RAILROAD may request ORDC to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of ORDC. In addition, the RAILROAD may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

XV. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In the event the RAILROAD desires clarification or explanation of, or disagrees with, any matter concerning the AGREEMENT, or the interpretation or application of any and all federal or state statutes, rules, regulations, laws or ordinances, the matter must be submitted in writing to the STATE. If the dispute cannot be resolved, and the RAILROAD has failed to comply materially with the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT, then procedures for suspension and/or termination may be instituted as provided for under this AGREEMENT, or this matter may be submitted to a court of competent jurisdiction for final determination.

XVI. NO WAIVER

No delay or omission to exercise any right or option accruing to the STATE upon any breach by RAILROAD shall impair any such right or option or shall be construed to be a waiver thereof, but any such right or option may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed necessary by STATE. Further, if any term, provision, covenant or condition contained in this AGREEMENT is breached by either party and thereafter such breach is waived in writing by the other party, such waiver shall be limited to the particular breach so waived and shall not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

XVII. CONSTRUCTION

This AGREEMENT shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio as to all matters, including but not limited to, matters of validity, construction, effect and performance.

XVIII. PRIMARY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The document, "Railroad Construction Contract Administration for Federally Funded Projects, Primary Roles and Responsibilities" is incorporated by reference as if included in this AGREEMENT in its entirety.

XIX. BUY AMERICA

RAILROAD shall furnish steel and iron products that are made in the United States according to the applicable provisions of federal regulations stated in 23 CFR 635.410 and State of Ohio laws, and ORC §s 153.011 and 5525.21, and State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications, 109.09.

The RAILROAD affirms to have read and understands Executive Order 2011-12K and shall abide by those requirements in the performance of this AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding any other terms of this AGREEMENT, the STATE reserves the right to recover any funds paid for services the RAILROAD performs outside the United States for which it did not receive a waiver from the Director of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.

XX. FORUM AND VENUE

All actions brought against the STATE regarding this AGREEMENT shall be forumed and venued in a court of competent subject matter jurisdiction in Franklin County, Ohio.

XXI. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

Whenever possible, each provision of this AGREEMENT shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this AGREEMENT is held to be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of such provisions of this AGREEMENT.

XXII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT and its exhibits and any documents referred to herein constitute the complete understanding of the parties and merge and supersede any and all other discussions,

agreements and understandings, either oral or written, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

XXIII. DUPLICATE COUNTERPARTS

This AGREEMENT may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be a duplicate original, but all of which taken together shall be deemed to constitute a single AGREEMENT.

XXIV. CAPTIONS

The captions in this AGREEMENT are for the convenience of reference only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of this AGREEMENT or any part hereof and shall not be considered in any construction hereof.

XXV. AMENDMENTS OR MODIFICATIONS

Any party may at any time during the term of this AGREEMENT request amendment or modification. Requests for amendment or modification of this AGREEMENT shall be in writing to the other parties and shall specify the requested changes and the justification for such changes. All parties shall then review the request for modification. Should the parties all agree to modification of the AGREEMENT, then an amendment shall be drawn, approved, and executed in the same manner as this AGREEMENT.

Any revisions to this AGREEMENT shall be made in writing and agreed upon by all parties.

XXIV. SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS

This AGREEMENT shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the RAILROAD. It is understood that this AGREEMENT, and any subsequent amendments thereto, shall apply to crossings owned by the RAILROAD that may, in the future, become subject to the PROJECTS and therefore qualify for modifications as described above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this AGREEMENT to be executed as of the date and year set forth below.

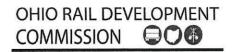
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Print Name	Print Name John D. Wichams
Title	Title TEAMSPORTATION DIRECTOR
Date	Date 2/25/19
OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION	
By Matthew Dietrich, Executive Director	
Date 3-4-19	

Master Agreement State of Ohio and CCET LLC

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this AGREEMENT to be executed as of the date and year set forth below.

CCET LLC d/b/a Cincinnati Eastern Railroad	STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO
Ву	Ву
Print Name CHRIS WHITLEY	Print Name
Title_PRESIDENT	Title
Date_Z-28-19	Date
OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION	
By Matthew Dietrich, Executive Director	
Date	

Master Agreement State of Ohio and CCET LLC



Ohio Rail Development Commission Mail Stop 3140, 1980 W. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43223

Reason for Survey: (e.g. formula, accident, constituent, etc.)	Formula			Date: 5	/11/2018
Location Data		Santa Santa		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Company of the last
Street or Road Name: Round B	Sottom Road	Í			
Route/Road Number (i.e. Twp., Co., SR or US)				US DOT No.:	481736R
County: CLE	Townshi p:		City: (In or Near)	Near Batav	ia
Railroad Name: Cincinnati East Termina	l Railway	Railroad Division: Lake			Branch/Line Cinn.
Nearest RR Timetable Station:				RR Milepos	tt 17.57
Safety Data (Obtain cras	h reports	s, if possible, prio	r to review)		· 一种的人就是在10万里的
	Initi	al Information (from	database)		Revised
Number & dates of vehicle crashes in previous 5 years	0				
Number & dates of pedestrian/ bicycle crashes in previous 5 years	0				
Hazard Ranking	1084	Date Ru	in: 3/16/2018		

On-Site Revie	w Team
(Include: Name – Org	ganization – Phone Number – Email)
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2. Stephen	Buker PULO 513-614-7063 Stephen Baker Couco, ohio, gov
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Existing Traffic Control Devices				
Type of Warning Devices	Installed?	Quantity/Comments		
HIGHWAY	2			
Advance Warning Signs (condition?)	Yes No			
'Stop' Signs	Yes 🗓 No			
'Stop Ahead' Signs	Yes No	1		
Pavement Markings (condition?)	☐ Yes ☐ No	8000		
Dynamic Envelope Markings (condition?)	Yes V No			
Illumination	Yes No			
'No Turn' Signs (highway/passive)	Yes No			
Barriers/fencing (pedestrian/bicycle)	Yes V No			
LOOK Sign	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Do Not Stop On Track Sign	no			
RAILROAD				
Crossbucks – stand alone	☐ Yes 📆 No			
Crossbucks – assembly with Stop	☐ Yes No			
Crossbucks – assembly with Yield	☐ Yes			
Mast-Mounted Flashing Lights	₩ Yes No	4 pairs		
Cantilever Flashing Lights	☐ Yes	Number: Length:		
Side Lights	☐ Yes 🕡 No	· ·		
Automatic Gates	☐ Yes 🚺 No	Number: Length:		
Bells	☐ Yes 🗓 No	Number:		
Sidewalk/Pedestrian Gate Arms	☐ Yes 💆 No	Number: Length:		
'No Turn' Signs (railroad/active)	☐ Yes 💆 No	9		
Is crossing flagged by train crew?	☐ Yes ☑No			
OTHER	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Railroad Data				
Type of Service: Freight Passeng	ger/Amtrak 🗆 Light Rail 🗆 Trolley o	or Streetcar Commuter Rail		
Railroad Characteristics	Initial Information (from database)	Revised		
Total trains per day	12			
< I per day				
Day thru trains	3	2		
Night thru trains	3			
Daytime switching movements	3			
Nighttime switching movements	3			
Total number of tracks	1			
Number of main tracks	1			
Number of other tracks				
Maximum train speed	40	15		
Typical train speed	40	15		
Amtrak	no			

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If multiple tracks, can two trains occupy crossing at the same time?

Can one train block the motorists' view of another train at crossing?

Yes (Explain below)

Are there other track(s) crossing this same roadway within 100 ft of this crossing? Yes No If yes, Crossing DOT #(if different)			
If yes, distance (take mea	surement between tra	ck centerlines at close	st point along roadway)
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Roadway Data	The second of	是1000mm	
Local Highway Authority:	Clermont County	y	
Roadway Characteristics	Initial Information	n (from database)	Revised
Average daily traffic	3999 (2016)		
Highway paved	X Yes No		☐ Yes ☐ No
Roadway Surface: 🔲 Blacktop 🔲 Gravel	Concrete Othe	r	
Roadway width (paved/travelled way): 🔱	ft.		
Number of highway lanes	2		
Urban or Rural	Urban		
Vehicle Speed: 45 MPH			
School Bus Operation: No X Ye	s 28 Amount		
	Yes .04 Amount		
Shoulders: No Yes			
	Yes Shoulder width: _	<u>ft.</u>	
Is there existing guardrail along roadway in	crossing vicinity? 💢 N	lo Yes	
Quadrant Curb and Gut	ter:	Quadrant	Curb and Gutter:
☐ Functional (Curb height = 4" or more) ☐ Functional (Curb height = 4" or more)			
☐ Non-functional (Curb height = Less than 4") ☐ Non-functional (Curb height = Less than 4")			
None	*	None None	
Is there a nearby intersection that could cause queuing over the crossing? No Yes			
If yes, Distance			
Is this intersection signalized? No Yes			
Are the signals currently interconnected with the existing crossing warning devices? 🕡 No			
Is there a 'Do not Stop on Track' sign? I No Yes			
Is a roadway improvement project (e.g. wide location in the foreseeable future? \(\overline{1} \) No	ening, turn lanes, nearb	y new or upgraded tra	ffic signal, sidewalk) planned at or near this
If yes,	_		
Improvement type	Lead Agency		Timeline/completion
Pedestrian & Bicycle Data	新华 鲁思。李奕说他		
Regular pedestrian usage:	☐ Yes	Volumes:	
Is sidewalk present?	Yes	Quadrants:	
Does crossing surface accommodate pedestrians? Yes			
Both sides of roadway?			
Pedestrian generators in close proximity (e.g. schools, sports/entertainment venues)? No Yes			
Comments.			
Regular bicycle usage: No	Yes	,	
☐ Roadway ☐ Dedicated Lane (on stre	et) Dedicated Pa	th (off street) □Sha	red Use (pedestrian/bicycle) Path

Type of Development			
Open Space Institutional Location of nearby schools:			
□ Industrial □ Commercial 5-8 miles □ Residential mixed fortusion Elementary			
Residential Mixed Paterson Elementory			
Utility Information			
Is commercial power available? No Yes			
Utility Provider (Company Name) Oukle Phone Number			
Nearest Available Power Source			
What other utilities are present?			
Is(are) there potential utility conflict(s) Yes No Unknown			
Comments: Phonel cable			
Sight Preview			
REFER TO THE TABLES ATTACHED			
If non-gated crossing, is clearing sight distance adequate in all quadrants? (See Table 1) Yes No			
Is stopping sight distance adequate? (See Table 2) Yes No If no, deficient approach(es)			
When considering recommendations for bicycle treatments: Bicycle sight distance adequate?			
When considering recommendations for pedestrian treatments: Pedestrian sight distance adequate? Yes No If no, deficient approach(es)			
□ Bikes must use sidewalk			
Future plans/transportation plans for pedestrian or bicycle routes? No Yes Comments:			

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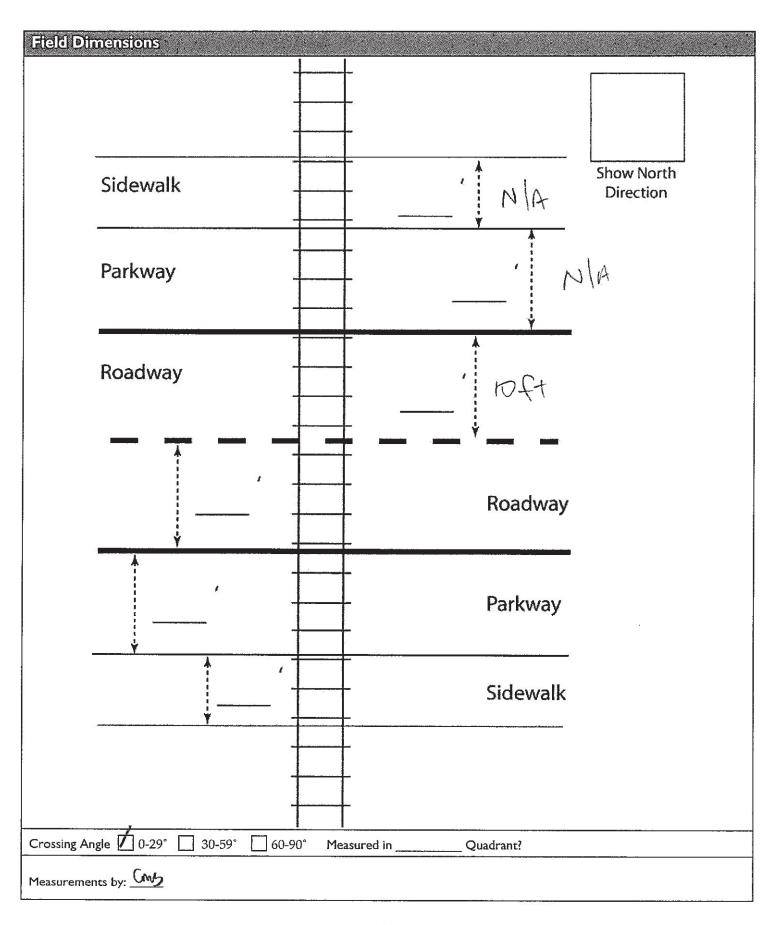
Potential Red Flags / Project Challenges
Traffic Signal Preemption (include traffic signal intersection name and LHA with jurisdiction over traffic signal, if known):
N/α
Crossing Consolidation or Closure:
N/a
Real Estate or ROW:
Culverts / Drainage / Ballast Conditions:
Roadway and/or Sidewalks:
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Circuitry (e.g. reaches out to other crossings, specific needs, etc.):
n/a
Environmental:
Other: Platform for SE L&G ass'y MM
Surface Surface review form completed: No Yes
Surface review form completed.
Additional Comments
Use this space as needed for additional comments and/or observations:
Consider extra Flasha For visibility around
Curves

Potential Closure			
Is it the consensus of the Diagnostic Review Team that this is a po	otential closure project: 🔯 No 🔲 Yes		
Explain reasons:			
Diagnostic Team Recommendations			
	Quadrants Needed		
Install/upgrade active devices			
Automatic Flashing Lights (AFLS)			
AFLS /Cants			
AFLS / Gates	B		
AFLS / Gates / Cants	90		
☐ Bells / number			
Upgrade circuitry / type			
Sidelights			
Guardrail Needed			
☐ Install/Replace curb			
Bungalow placement & offset from rail & highway	Some quad		
Other (define)			
Comments:			
☐ Install/upgrade traffic signal preemption			
☐ No improvements needed			
Other (define)			
PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE Treatments (additional, not incl			
☐ Crossing Surface (specify)	□Sidewalk (specify)		
□ Detectable warning surfaces	□LOOK Sign (R15-8)		
□Stop lines	□Illumination		
□ Dynamic envelop markings	□Channelization		
☐ Path delineation	☐ Fencing/barriers		
□Other			
Comments:			
Acknowledgement of Recommendations (each entity represented at the diagnostic must have at least one signature/initial			
acknowledgement):	\sim		
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Field Sketch	
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Crossing Angle 0-29° 30-59° 60-90° Measured in	Quadrant?
Sketch by: CMS	

TABLE I

Clearing Sight Distances

Maximum Authorized Train Speed	Distance (dT) Along Railroad from Crossing (ft)
1 - 10	240
15	360
20	480
(25)	600
30	720
35	840
40	960
45	1080
50	1200
55	1320
60	1440
65	1560
70	1680
75	1800
80	1920
85	2040
90	2160

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5-foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers and level single track 90 degree crossings; and may need to be adjusted for multiple tracks, skewed crossings or approaches on grades.

Clearing Sight Distance is to be measured in each vehicle travel direction at non-gated crossings as viewed from a point 25 feet from centerline of nearest track in the center of whichever travel lane is nearest the direction along track being measured.

Table 2
Stopping Sight Distances

Highway Vehicle Speed	Distance (dH) Along Roadway from Crossing (ft)
0	n/a
5	50
10	70
15	105
20	135
25	180
30	225
35	280
40	340
45	410
50	490
55	570
60	660
65	760
70	865

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers on dry level pavements.

Stopping Sight Distance is to be measured on each roadway approach to crossing from stop bar.

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