

Memo

To: Docketing Division

From: Thomas Persinger, Rail Project Specialist, Rail Division

Date: 5-15-2023

Re: PUCO Case No. 18-1117-RR-RCP- In the Matter of the Request by Cleveland Commercial Railroad to Downgrade Warning Devices at the E. 93rd Street (DOT# 262-418B) & E. 65th Street, (DOT#262-413S) Grade Crossings in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

BACKGROUND

On June 14, 2018, Cleveland Commercial Railroad Lines filed a request to downgrade warning devices at the E. 93rd Street (DOT# 262-418B) & E. 65th Street, (DOT#262-413S) Grade Crossings in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

On January 29, 2019, Staff filed an investigative report that recommended the downgrade be granted. The railroad had mentioned the crossing had changed since the initial installation by only having one track instead of two, speed lowered from 50 to 10 mph, and going from 49 trains a week to 3-4 a week. Staff noted pedestrian gates are not required under the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and recommended the removal of the pedestrian gates.

On February 27, 2019, the Commission ordered that the downgrade request be granted.

FINDINGS

On May 28 and June 18, 2020, our local field inspector visited the crossings and verified the pedestrian gates have been removed (See attached pictures).

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Cleveland Commercial Railroad has complied with the Commission Order by removing the pedestrian gates. Accordingly, the case should be closed.

**E. 93rd Street Crossing (DOT#262-418B)
Cuyahoga County, Ohio**

Looking North from the South side of the crossing.



Looking South from the North side of the crossing.



**E. 65th Street Crossing (DOT#262-413S)
Cuyahoga County, Ohio**

Looking South from North side of crossing



Looking North from South side of crossing



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Summary: Memorandum Memo regarding completion of the Request by Cleveland Commercial Railroad to Downgrade Warning Devices at the E. 93rd Street (DOT# 262-418B) & E. 65th Street, (DOT#262-413S) Grade Crossings in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, filed by Tom Persinger, Rail Project Specialist. electronically filed by Mr. Thomas Persinger on behalf of PUCO/Rail Division.