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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Docketing Division
From: Bonnie J Johrendt, Grade Crossing Planner
RE: CSXT Grade Crossing, Prospect Rd/SR 327 (141-923L), 96-1171-RR-STP
City of Strongsville, Cuyahoga County
Date: November 5, 1996

Attached are copies of the outline for development and funding, the acceptance from CSXT and the City of Strongsville for the above-mentioned matter. Please assign a case number for this matter and docket the attached documents.

A suggested case coding and heading would be as follows:

PUCO Case No. 96-_____ -RR-STP -- In the matter of a request of the modernization to roadway gates at Prospect Rd./SR 327 (141-923L), City of Strongsville, Cuyahoga County.

Upon formalization of this matter, we will prepare a Stipulation and Recommendation for all parties to sign and submit to the Commission for consideration.

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Parties of record will be:

- 1.) CSX Transportation
ATTN.: Randy Fredrick, Public Projects Coordinator
500 Water Street, J350
Jacksonville, FL 32202

- 2.) City of Strongsville
ATTN.: Clerk of Council
18688 Royalton Road
Strongsville, Ohio 44136

- 3.) The Honorable Mayor
City of Strongsville
18688 Royalton Road
Strongsville, Ohio 44136 .

- 4.) ODOT District 12
ATTN.: Cindy Griffiths
5500 Transportation Blvd.
Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125

c: Robert Marvin
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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Transportation Department

George V. Voinovich, Governor

October 7, 1996

Craig A. Glazer, Chairman

The Honorable Walter F. Ehrnfelt
Mayor, City of Strongsville
18688 Royalton Road
Strongsville, Ohio 44136

RE: CSXT - Prospect Rd./SR 237 (141-923L), City of Strongsville

Dear Mayor Ehrnfelt:

As per your request, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has surveyed the referenced grade crossing and submits the following proposal to upgrade this with roadway gates.

By way of background, the standard apportionment for an active warning device project is 90/10 split to the local highway authority (LHA) and the railroad, respectively. The railroad becomes responsible for all maintenance expenses thereafter. Based upon preliminary construction cost estimates provided by CSX Transportation, the apportionment breakdown would be as follows:

<u>Prospect Rd./SR 237 (141-923L)</u>	
@ \$110,000 project cost	
LHA share @ 90% = \$99,000 (PUCO assistance @55% of this figure results in a further breakdown:	
Local share (City 45% of 90%)	=\$ 44,550
Local share (PUCO assist 55% of 90%)	=\$ 54,450
Railroad share (CSXT 10%)	=\$ 11,000
Total	=\$110,000

Please note that the foregoing proposal is only a preliminary estimate, and is provided to assist you in your evaluation of this project.

We look forward to assisting the City of Strongsville in developing safer highway-railroad grade crossings for its citizens.

If we can be of further assistance, please feel free to call us.

Sincerely,

Bonnie J. Johrendt
Grade Crossing Planner
Railroad Section (614) 466-0435

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City of Strongsville

October 24, 1996

Bonnie J. Johrendt
Grade Crossing Planner, Railroad Division
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43266-0573

Dear Ms. Johrendt,

Enclosed herewith please find a certified copy of Resolution No. 1996-230 which was adopted by Strongsville City Council at the regular meeting of October 21, 1996, and is being forwarded to you in accordance with Section 2.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Leslie J. Seefried, CMC
Clerk of Council

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CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 1996 - 230

By: Mayor Ehrnfelt

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROPOSAL OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO AND CSX TRANSPORTATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CSX TRANSPORTATION GRADE CROSSING ON PROSPECT ROAD (141-923L) IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE.

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has submitted a proposal to the City to upgrade the railroad crossing at Prospect Road (SR 237) by installing roadway gates (the "Improvement"); and

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has further advised that it will fund 55% of the Improvements, provided that the remaining funds shall be paid by the City and CSX Transportation as set forth in the proposal;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby approves the proposal of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for the Improvement to the CSX Transportation grade crossing on Prospect Road (141-923L) in the City of Strongsville based upon the preliminary estimates of cost, which are part thereof, provided that final commitment to the expenditure of funds for the Improvement shall be subject to further action by this Council.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council be and is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to Bonnie J. Johrendt, Grade Crossing Planner, Railroad Division, at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.



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Engineering and Mechanical

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October 29, 1996

Ms. Bonnie Johrendt
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43266-0573

Dear Ms. Johrendt:

Reference the State's proposed project in Cuyahoga County; Strongsville, OH; Prospect Rd. / S.R. 327; DOT 141 923 L. I am writing in response to your October 7, 1996 request for 10% participation of the total project cost for the referenced project proposal.

Please be advised that CSXT is willing to contribute to this project at 10% of the total cost. As has been expressed in past conversations and meetings, it is CSXT's perception that contributions to projects such as this are with the understanding that the State will strive to work cooperatively with CSXT in subsequent crossing closure issues and various other public safety measures. The primary benefit of these safety projects is to the traveling public and not CSXT, thus the State's cooperative efforts will be greatly appreciated and anticipated.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Randy Frederick

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PAUL ROSE, JR.
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio