



March 10, 2015

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

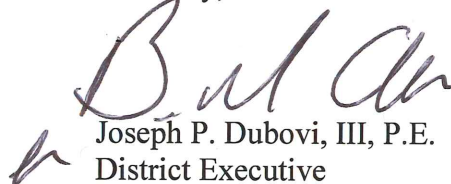
In re: Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter the public at-grade crossings by the installation of automatically operated flashing-light railroad crossing warning signals and gates where Washington Street (DOT # 148 849 H), School Street (DOT # 148 848 B), Church Street (DOT # 148 847 U), Gompers Avenue (DOT # 148 846 M), T-488 Martin Road (DOT # 148 830 R) and T-489 Martin Road (DOT # 148 826 B) crosses the single track of the Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad Inc. in the White and Rayne Townships, and the Borough of Indiana, Indiana County; All *in accordance with the Federal Grade Crossing Program*; and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filling is the original application of the Department of Transportation.

A copy of this application has been served upon the parties in the Certificate of Service attached to the application.

Sincerely,



Joseph P. Dubovi, III, P.E.
District Executive
Engineering District 10

Enclosure

**BEFORE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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Application
Docket No. _____

To the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

1. The name and address of applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Brian N. Allen, P.E., Assistant District Executive, Engineering District 10-0 2550 Oakland Avenue, PO Box 429, Indiana PA 15701.
2. The name and address of attorney for the applicant is William J. Cressler, Chief Counsel, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, office of Chief Counsel, PO Box 8212, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8212.
3. The applicant is an agency of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, organized and existing under the Administrative Code of 1929, 71 P.S. § 511, et. seq. and generally 36 P.S. § 670 - 401 et. seq., filing this Application on behalf of the Borough of Indiana, White Township and Rayne Township as evidenced by Exhibit B, C and D which is attached hereto.
4. It is desirable to alter the subject crossings by installing new train activated warning devices, circuitry and gates in place of the existing crossbucks and advance warning signs. (Location map(s) are attached as Exhibit A).
5. The names and addresses of the persons, parties and entities concerned in, or affected by the proposed construction, to the best of the Applicant's knowledge, are shown in the Certificate of Service.

6. Washington Street (DOT # 148 849 H), School Street (DOT # 148 848 B), Church Street (DOT # 148 847 U), Gompers Avenue (DOT # 148 846 M), T-488 Martin Road (DOT # 148 830 R) and T-489 Martin Road (DOT # 148 826 B) crosses at-grade, a single track of the Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad Inc. at railroad mileposts 33.68, 33.59, 33.51, 33.46, 31.80 and 33.11, respectfully. The estimated (2015) Average Daily Traffic (ADT) on Gompers Avenue, Church Street, School Street and Washington Street is estimated at 400 vehicles per street, with 1 % trucks at a posted speed of 25 MPH. The present estimated total trains per day are four (4) with a maximum speed of 10 MPH. The estimated (2015) Average Daily Traffic (ADT) on T-488 and T-489 Martin Road is estimated at 200 vehicles, with 1 % trucks with unposted speed of 55 MPH. The present estimated total trains per day are four (4) with a speed of 35 MPH. Said crossings should be altered as indicated.

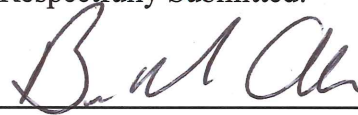
7. The estimated cost for construction of the new crossing alterations is approximately \$1,268,000, which will be paid with 100% Federal Funds.

8. The project is necessary and proper for the safety and convenience of the public.

9. A conference of all parties of interest should be held to discuss the proposed improvement.

Wherefore, applicant prays your Honorable Commission to approve the application:

Respectfully Submitted:



Brian N. Allen, P.E.
Assistant District Executive – Design
Engineering District 10-0
Department of Transportation

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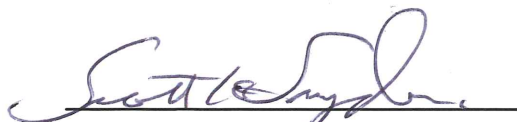
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VERIFICATION

I, Lawrence M. Cernansky, hereby state that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this manner. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to un-sworn falsification to authorities).

Date: 3/10/2015



Scott K. Snyder, P.E.
District 10-0 Grade Crossing Engineer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54, by first class mail, postage prepaid:

Mark J. Chappell, P.E., Chief
Utilities and Right-of-Way Section
Bureau of Design, PennDOT
PO Box 3362
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3362

Joseph P. Dubovi, III, P.E., District Executive
Engineering District 10-0
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
2550 Oakland Avenue, P.O. Box 429
Indiana, PA 15701-0429
Attn: Lawrence M. Cernansky, P.E.

Mr. David C. Baer, Chief Engineer/Vice President

Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc.

P.O. Box 477

201 North Penn St

Punxsutawney, PA 15767

Honorable George E. Hood, Mayor

Borough of Indiana

306 Blairton Avenue

Indiana, PA 15701

William C. Sutton, Manager

Borough of Indiana

80 North Eighth Street

Indiana, PA 15701

Honorable Rodney Ruddock

Indiana County Commissioners

825 Philadelphia Street

Indiana, PA 15701

Rocky J. Saporito, Operations Engineer III

Peoples Natural Gas

1201 Pitt Street

Wilkesburg, PA 15221

Edward Olshefski, Jr.

Penelec

311 Industrial Park Road

Johnstown, PA 15906


Mike Duffalo, Executive Director

Indiana County Municipal Services Authority

602 Kolter Drive

Indiana, PA 15701

Dated this ¹¹~~3~~ Day of MARCH 2015
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Scott K. Snyder, P.E.
District 10-0 Grade Crossing Engineer

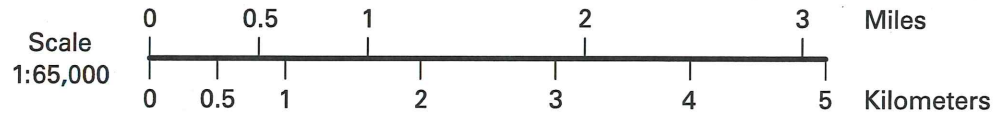
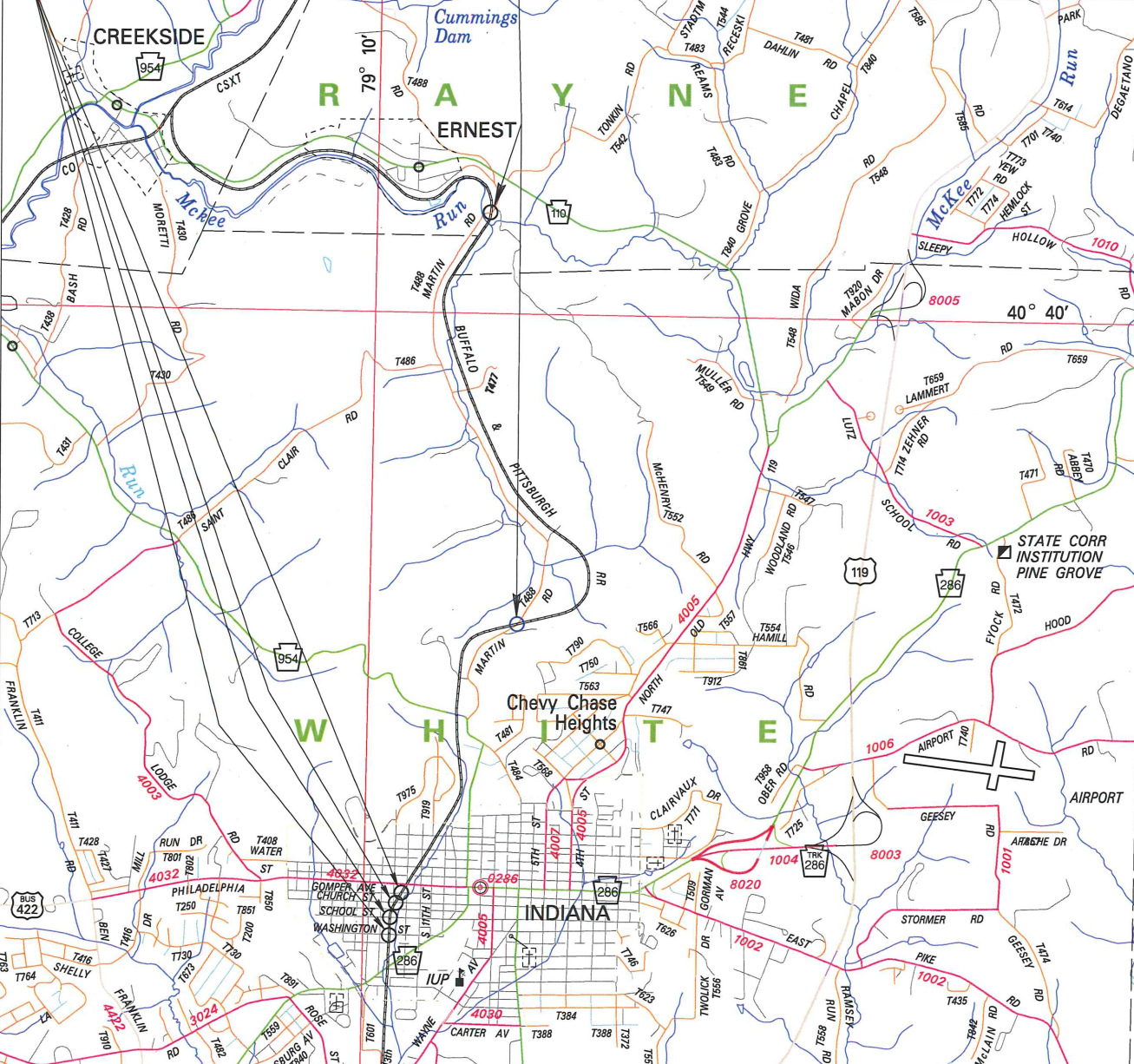
T-489 MARTIN RD (DOT NO. 148 826 B)
 RAYNE TOWNSHIP, INDIANA COUNTY
 LAT 40.674405° LONG -79.154914°
 T-488 MARTIN RD.(DOT NO. 148 830 R)
 WHITE TOWNSHIP, INDIANA COUNTY
 LAT 40.642763° LONG -79.152264°

GOMPERS AVE. (DOT NO. 148 846 M)
 LAT 40.622339° LONG -79.162631°
 CHURCH ST. (DOT NO. 148 847 U)
 LAT 40.621697° LONG -79.163111°
 SCHOOL ST. (DOT NO. 148 848 B)
 LAT 40.620553° LONG -79.163605°
 WASHINGTON ST. (DOT NO. 148 849 H)
 LAT 40.61926° LONG -79.163701°
 INDIANA BOROUGH, INDIANA COUNTY



10 DISTRICT
 ● DISTRICT OFFICE
 ● PROJECT LOCATION

MPMS NO. 103091





November 6, 2014

Indiana County
Indiana Borough
AT-GRADE CROSSINGS:
Gompers Avenue - DOT # 148 846 M;
Church Street - DOT # 148 847 U;
School Street - DOT # 148 848 B;
Washington Street - DOT # 148 849 H
MPMS No. 103091

George E. Hood, Mayor
Indiana Borough
80 North 8th Street
Indiana, PA 15701

Dear Mayor Hood:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation (the Department) is filing an application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) for the approval to upgrade the existing railroad warning devices (crossbucks) by installing new train activated automatic gates, 12-inch LED flashing lights and circuitry where Gompers Avenue, Church Street, School Street and Washington Street crosses, at-grade, the single track of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. located in Indiana Borough, Indiana County.

This action is in accordance with the Section 130 Federal Rail Safety Program, which provides 100 percent Federal funding for the construction of Railroad warning devices on public roads. The Railroad will seek reimbursement from the Department for 100 percent of the construction costs.

Please sign, date, and affix Indiana Borough seal at the space provided on this letter and return to this office. Please also provide a resolution agreeing to allow the Department to file this application on your behalf, and authorizing the Department to issue Notice-to-Proceed letters to the Railroad for design and/or construction. If a resolution is not provided it will be presumed that by signature, date, and seal of this letter that you concur with these conditions and authority is granted, and no resolution is necessary.

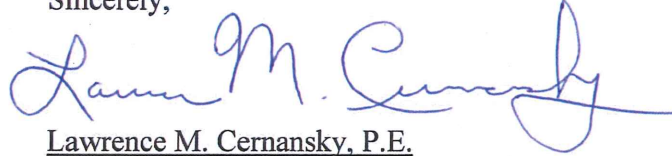

Municipality Signature

11-12-14
Date

(municipality seal)

Forthcoming will be a copy of the application that will be made by the Department to the PUC, which will then be followed by a letter from the PUC advising you of a subsequent diagnostic field view at the crossing. Should you have any questions with regards to this matter, please contact me at (724) 357-2526.

Sincerely,



Lawrence M. Cernansky, P.E.
District Grade Crossing Engineer
Engineering District 10-0
Department of Transportation



November 6, 2014

Indiana County
White Township
AT-GRADE CROSSING
T-488_Martin Road - DOT # 148 830 R
MPMS No. 103091

Robert M. Overdorff, Chairman
White Township Supervisors
950 Indian Springs Road
Indiana, PA 15701-3506

Dear Chairman Overdorff:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation (the Department) is filing an application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) for the approval to upgrade the existing railroad warning devices (flashing lights) by installing new train activated automatic gates, 12-inch LED flashing lights and circuitry where Martin Road crosses, at-grade, the single track of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. located in White Township, Indiana County.

This action is in accordance with the Section 130 Federal Rail Safety Program, which provides 100 percent Federal funding for the construction of Railroad warning devices on public roads. The Railroad will seek reimbursement from the Department for 100 percent of the construction costs.

Please sign, date, and affix White Township seal at the space provided on this letter and return to this office. Please also provide a resolution agreeing to allow the Department to file this application on your behalf, and authorizing the Department to issue Notice-to-Proceed letters to the Railroad for design and/or construction. If a resolution is not provided it will be presumed that by signature, date, and seal of this letter that you concur with these conditions and authority is granted, and no resolution is necessary.


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Indiana County
Rayne Township
AT-GRADE CROSSING
T-489_Martin Road - DOT # 148 826 B
MPMS No. 103091

Anthony J. Mano, Chairman
Rayne Township Supervisors
140 Tanoma Road
Home, PA 15747-0038

Dear Chairman Mano:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation (the Department) is filing an application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) for the approval to upgrade the existing passive railroad warning devices (crossbucks) by installing new train activated automatic gates, 12-inch LED flashing lights and circuitry where T-489 Martin Road crosses, at-grade, the single track of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. located in Rayne Township, Indiana County.

This action is in accordance with the Section 130 Federal Rail Safety Program, which provides 100 percent Federal funding for the construction of Railroad warning devices on public roads. The Railroad will seek reimbursement from the Department for 100 percent of the construction costs.

Please sign, date, and affix Rayne Township seal at the space provided on this letter and return to this office. Please also provide a resolution agreeing to allow the Department to file this application on your behalf, and authorizing the Department to issue Notice-to-Proceed letters to the Railroad for design and/or construction. If a resolution is not provided it will be presumed that by signature, date, and seal of this letter that you concur with these conditions and authority is granted, and no resolution is necessary.

Shendi H. Strittmatter

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Ray Andue

SUPERVISOR

[Signature]

VICE CHAIRMAN

[Signature]

CHAIRMAN

12-4-14

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