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Secretary, PA Public Utility Commission

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Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

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#1 I am writing in hope you may see fit to have an additional addendum to the PUC ruling for Case # P-2011-2241780 & C-2011-2237486.

#2 I operate a horse farm in Lackawanna County along route SR#4009 that has been bisected by the PUC ruling that the bridge over the now Norfolk & Southern Railroad was removed on the 9<sup>th</sup>, of May 2016. Now over 21 acres are not available to Raintree Farm.

#3 I have operated this farm for over 20 years & had access to ALL of the property on the East & the West sides of the Canadian Pacific Railroad; I have built barns, turn out sheds, fenced pastures, riding trails, grass strip runway, an Indoor & Outdoor arenas with hopes of selling lots on the West side of the railroad and allowing those owners the usage of the facilities of ALL of Raintree Farm. Now that the PUC has taken the bridge out, the only access is a 3.1 mile detour. We would have to load any horse on to a trailer & haul it around 3.1 miles each direction to use the facilities of Raintree Farm.

#4 This bridge removal was done for safety of pedestrians and traffic using the bridge, and I do not believe the PUC had any ideas of the damage the bridge removal has done to The Raintree Farm or they would have insisted that the railroads, first Canadian Pacific & now Norfolk & Southern to allow an on grade crossing for the benefit of (ONLY) Raintree Farm & future residents to access ALL of Raintree Farms property.

#5 There is clear sight lines to the South of one mile & clear sight lines to the North of over one mile from where a grade crossing should be made available. The area where we wish a grade crossing be placed is at a location where Raintree Farm owns both sides of the railroads track, and South of the old bridge location by approximately 400 feet. This crossing will be gated & only for the benefit of Raintree Farm. The elevation at this location is almost even with the top rails of the railroads track, and there is a railroad switch just North of the location about 1000feet.

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#6 We have been monitoring the speeds of the trains going North & South and they are well below the speed of 15 miles per hour. We will always give the railroad the right of way and never cause a train to have to slow down or stop. We cannot foresee any problems with the railroads granting us this crossing. There are at least 3 or more on grade crossings to the North of Raintree Farm, to the New York state line, that the railroads allow without any gates or even cross signs.

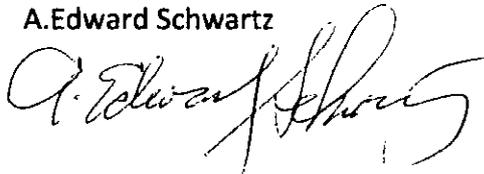
#7 We are willing to keep a locked gate at the grade crossing that prior to using the crossing will have to be unlocked.

#8 Again I must stress this crossing is not for the public, but only for Raintree Farm. We are now having to load and trailer our farm implements on trailers and haul 3.1 miles each direction and if a problem arises we have to go 3.1 mile back for tools & mechanics to correct any problem.

#9 We hope you can see fit to allow Raintree Farm this grade crossing.

Yours truly

A. Edward Schwartz

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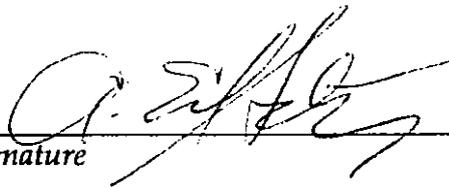
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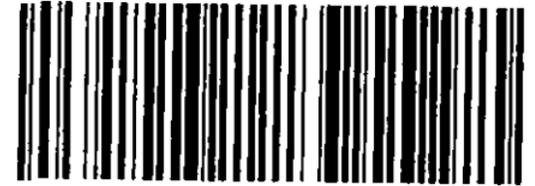
I, A. Edward Schwartz, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief), and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

8/10/2016  
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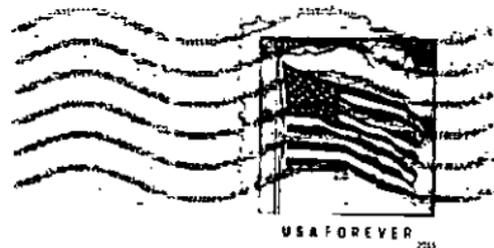
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