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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

October 12, 2017

Indiana Borough, Indiana County  
State Route 0286 (Oakland Ave.); DOT No. 148 850 C  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC)  
Crossing Complaint C-2016-2580970

Mr. William Sinick, P.E.  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
P.O. Box 3265  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
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TECHNICAL UTILITY SERVICES  
RAIL SECTION

Dear Mr. Sinick:

This is a follow up to the field conference held on Friday January 27, 2017 with Mr. Royer, the PUC, Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad (BPRR), and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT).

During the field conference, Mr. Royer expressed his concern that the crossing is no longer smooth to vehicular traffic. It was noted that there was an elevation difference where the concrete crossing surface panels meet the westbound concrete roadway approach slab. It was also noted that traffic could move safely across the crossing and the elevation difference poses no immediate danger to the safety and welfare of the public.

The Department is willing to mill the vertical lip to reduce the abrupt elevation change at the approach slab, at its cost, if BPRR will provide flaggers at their cost. The Department will incorporate the work into an existing programmed project, Oakland Avenue Resurfacing project, MPMS# 109641. The project is currently scheduled for construction in the year 2019.

The Department will continue to monitor the approach roadway until the improvement can be made.

Please feel free to contact me, at 724.357.2526 if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Campbell, P.E.  
District Grade Crossing Engineer  
Engineering District 10-0