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30	N	11/18/94	SEC	JONES
ORDER SERVED TO PARTIES				

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Complaint Docket No. 18616

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

v.  
PENN CENTRAL COMPANY, THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO  
RAILROAD COMPANY, CITY OF PITTSBURGH, COUNTY  
OF ALLEGHENY, and DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS OF THE  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

INVESTIGATION UPON COMMISSION MOTION

BY THE COMMISSION, DECEMBER 23, 1968:

Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania advised this Commission by letter dated December 23, 1968 that the bridge carrying State Highway Route 02260 (31st Street) across the Allegheny River and above the grade of the tracks of Penn Central Company and The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company on both sides of the river was downgraded from an allowable 12-ton load limit to a maximum load capacity of 5 tons based on an "in depth" bridge inspection conducted by the department, and since the safety of the traveling public and the carriers involved may be affected, the prevention of accidents and the promotion of safety requires immediate action and that a full and complete investigation of the use and safety of the existing structure be made in the general interest of the public; THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission hereby institute an investigation on its own motion and approve the action of the Department of Highways in reducing the maximum load limit on the structure from 12 tons to 5 tons.
2. That Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all material and do all work necessary to install and thereafter maintain load limit signs at proper locations on each approach to the structure herein involved to provide for a five-ton maximum load limit.

ATTEST:

*J. W. ...*  
Secretary

*George ...*  
Chairman

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

involved.

for the purpose of receiving testimony on the matters and things  
this matter be listed for hearing, upon due notice to the respondents,

4. That upon receipt of the above directed information,

above the tracks of the railroad companies and the Allegheny River.  
of the bridge to permit a higher load limit for the traveling public  
collapse of the bridge and recommendations regarding rehabilitation

protect railroad traffic, vehicular traffic and pedestrians from  
structural safety of the bridge, the remedial measures necessary to

within 15 days from date hereof, additional information as to the  
delay to cooperate with each other and this Commission and to provide

the parties of record herein named, be and is hereby ordered without  
3. That Department of Highways, in cooperation with each of

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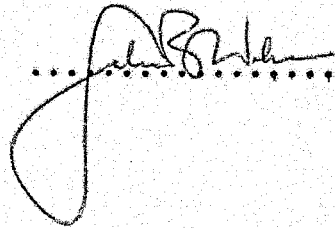
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Mr. J. W. Reinhard, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
P. O. Box 3265  
Harrisburg, Pa. 17120

Dear Mr. Reinhard:

This.....6th.....day of....January.....19,69.....  
the undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of copy  
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Allegheny County  
L.R. 02260 (31 St. Bridge)  
City of Pittsburgh  
PUC.C. 18616

January 21, 1969

Joseph W. Reinhard, Secretary  
Public Utility Commission  
111 North Office Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Reinhard:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are the original and two copies of the Answer of the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the above captioned complaint.

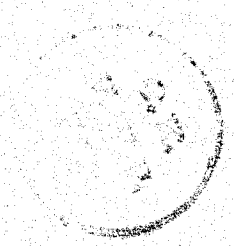
I hereby certify that copies of this Answer were served on this date on all parties of record.

Very truly yours,

*Joel E. Mazor*  
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Assistant Attorney General

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ANSWER OF DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

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NOW COMES, Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by its attorneys and makes answer to the Complaint of the Public Utility Commission as follows:

1. No answer required.

2. The Department of Highways has installed and is maintaining load limit signs at the proper locations on each approach to the structure so as to provide for a five (5) ton maximum load limit.

3. (a) Structural Safety of Thirty First Street Bridge:

The Department of Highways believes that the structure is safe to carry five (5) ton maximum load limits. Inspection of the structure indicates the occurrence of corrosion and some loss of section in the stringers near their connections in span 25. Since these are shear connections, the Department was concerned as to the heavy wheel loads on the bridge, therefore, the load limit of the structure was reduced to five (5) tons.

(b) Remedial Measures for Protection from Bridge Collapse:

No other remedial measures are necessary to protect railroad traffic, vehicular traffic, and pedestrians from the collapse of the structure except the lowering of the load limit to five (5) tons.

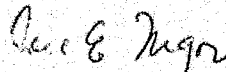
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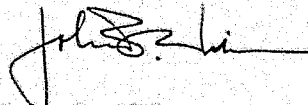
(c) Recommendations for Bridge Rehabilitation:

The Department of Highways is preparing rehabilitation plans of the bridge to permit a higher load limit for the traveling public utilizing the subject structure and upon completion thereof will forward same to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and all other parties of record.

Respectfully submitted,



Joel E. Mazor  
Assistant Attorney General



John B. Wilson  
Assistant Attorney General