

March 8, 2021

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

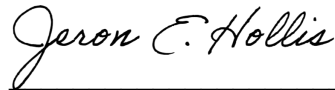
Re: Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter three (3) public at-grade crossings by the installation of new active traffic control devices where State Route 4034, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street crosses the track(s) of CSX Transportation Inc. (DOT Numbers 918 324 S, 524 337 C, and 524 335N) in the City of Erie, Erie County and the allocation of costs incident thereto

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing, please find the Application of the Department of Transportation.

A copy of this Application and Exhibits has been served upon the parties in the Certificate of Service to the Application by email.

Sincerely,



---

Jeron E. Hollis  
District Grade Crossing Engineer  
Engineering District 1-0  
Department of Transportation

Attachments

cc: Parties of Record

Mark J. Chappell, P.E., Chief, Right-of-Way and Utilities Section, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, CKB  
Gina M. D'Alfonso, Senior Counsel in Charge, Office of Chief Counsel, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, CKB  
Ronald J. Hull, P.E., Supervisor, Rail Safety Engineering Section PUC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, CKB

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter three (3) public at-grade crossings by the installation of new active traffic control devices where State Route 4034, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street crosses the track(s) of CSX Transportation Inc. (DOT Numbers 918 324 S, 524 337 C, and 524 335 N) in the City of Erie, Erie County and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

Application  
Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronically Filed**

APPLICATION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION

Applicant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, files this Application pursuant to the provisions of 66 Pa.C.S § 2702 and 52 Pa. Code § 5.13 for the alteration of the public at grade crossings where State Route 4034, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street crosses tracks of CSX Transportation Inc. at DOT Numbers 918 324 S, 524 337 C, and 524 335 N in the City of Erie, Erie County as described below:

1. The name and address of Applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Thomas J. McClelland, P.E., Assistant District Executive, Engineering District 1-0, 255 Elm Street, Oil City, PA 16301.
2. The name and address of attorney for the Applicant are Jason D. Sharp, 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 its behalf and on behalf of the City of Erie as evidenced by the letter dated February 22, 2021 which is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A".

4. 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. In addition to those served, the Applicant requests that the following also receive service of all documents in this matter:

Mark J. Chappell P.E., Chief  
Utilities and Right of Way Section  
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation  
PO Box 3362  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3362  
marchappel@pa.gov

Gina M. D'Alfonso  
Counsel for Applicant  
Office of Chief Counsel  
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation  
PO Box 8212  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8212  
gdalfonso@pa.gov

5. The Applicant is seeking approval for CSX Transportation Inc. to alter the subject crossings by installation of new automatically operated flashing railroad warning signals with pedestrian gates, lights, new circuitry, and masts. A Location Map is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "B".

6. The Applicant is aware of prior Public Utility Commission orders for these crossings at Docket Number(s): A-00116344

7. The average daily traffic for the following crossings are:

- A. SR 4034 (DOT No. 918 324 S) is 15,969 vehicles with 4% trucks.
- B. 8<sup>th</sup> Street (DOT No. 524 337 C) is 2,505 vehicles with 1% trucks.
- C. 10<sup>th</sup> Street (DOT No. 524 335 N) is 5,153 vehicles with 2% trucks.

8. The estimated cost of the project described above is \$575,000. The Applicant anticipates reimbursing CSX Transportation Inc. with federal funds.

9. This project is necessary and proper for the safety and convenience of the public.

10. A conference of all parties of interest should be held to discuss the proposed project.

Wherefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Public Utility Commission approve this Application.

Respectfully Submitted:

---

Thomas J. McClelland, P.E.  
Assistant District Executive-Design  
Engineering District 1-0  
Department of Transportation  
255 Elm Street  
Oil City, PA 16301  
Phone: (814) 678-7081  
Fax: (814) 678-7030  
Email: [thmcclella@pa.gov](mailto:thmcclella@pa.gov)

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter three (3) public at-grade crossings by the installation of new active traffic control devices where State Route 4034, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street crosses the track(s) of CSX Transportation Inc. (DOT Numbers 918 324 S, 524 337 C, and 524 335 N) in the City of Erie, Erie County and the allocation of costs incident thereto

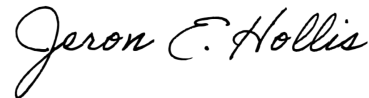
Application  
Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronically Filed**

VERIFICATION

I, Jeron E. Hollis, Grade Crossing Engineer, hereby state that the facts above set forth 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).

Date: 03/08/2021

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeron E. Hollis  
Grade Crossing Engineer

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter three (3) public at-grade crossings by the installation of new active traffic control devices where State Route 4034, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street crosses the track(s) of CSX Transportation Inc. (DOT Numbers 918 324 S, 524 337 C, and 524 335 N) in the City of Erie, Erie County and the allocation of costs incident thereto

Application  
Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronically Filed**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants listed below by electronic email, in accordance with Emergency Order at M-2020-3019262.

Derek Mihaly, Project Manager II  
CSX Transportation  
4 Neshaminy Interplex  
Suite 205  
Trevose, PA 19053  
[Derek\\_Mihaly@csx.com](mailto:Derek_Mihaly@csx.com)

André Horton  
Erie County Commissioner  
140 West Sixth Street  
Room 114  
Erie, PA 16501  
[ahorton@eriecountypa.gov](mailto:ahorton@eriecountypa.gov)

Emily Aloiz, Planning/Program Administrator  
Erie County  
140 West Sixth Street  
Erie, PA 16501  
[ealoiz@eriecountypa.gov](mailto:ealoiz@eriecountypa.gov)

Jon Tushak, City Engineer  
City of Erie  
626 State Street  
Erie, PA 16501  
[JTushak@erie.pa.us](mailto:JTushak@erie.pa.us)

Jason Sayers, Assistant City Engineer  
City of Erie Sewer  
626 State St. Suite 305  
Erie, PA 1650  
[JSayers@erie.pa.us](mailto:JSayers@erie.pa.us)

Jason Fleek  
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corp.  
1100 State Street  
P.O. Box 2081  
Erie, PA 16512  
[fleekj@natfuel.com](mailto:fleekj@natfuel.com)

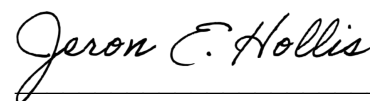
John Lynch  
Zayo Group  
800 Cabin Hill Dr.  
Greensburg, PA 15601  
[john.lynch@zayo.com](mailto:john.lynch@zayo.com)

Chris Beyer  
Pennsylvania Electric Company  
5404 Evans Rd.  
Erie, PA 16558  
[cbeyer@firstenergycorp.com](mailto:cbeyer@firstenergycorp.com)

Steve Putt  
Centurylink/Level 3 Communications  
200 Technology Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219  
[Stephen.putt@level3.com](mailto:Stephen.putt@level3.com)

Chad Ellsworth  
Erie Water Works  
240 West 12th St.  
Erie, PA 16501  
[cellsworth@eriewaterworks.org](mailto:cellsworth@eriewaterworks.org)

Dated this 8th Day of March 2021



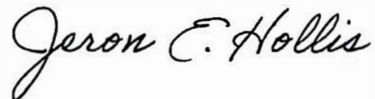
Jeron E. Hollis  
255 Elm Street  
Oil City, PA 16301  
[jhollis@pa.gov](mailto:jhollis@pa.gov)



February 22, 2021  
Erie County  
Page 2

As a result of this action, the Municipality will receive 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 of a subsequent field conference at the crossing. Should there be any questions with regards to this matter, please contact Jeron Hollis at 814.678.7380

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeron E. Hollis".

Jeron E. Hollis,  
District Grade Crossing Engineer  
Engineering District 1-0  
Department of Transportation

Erie County

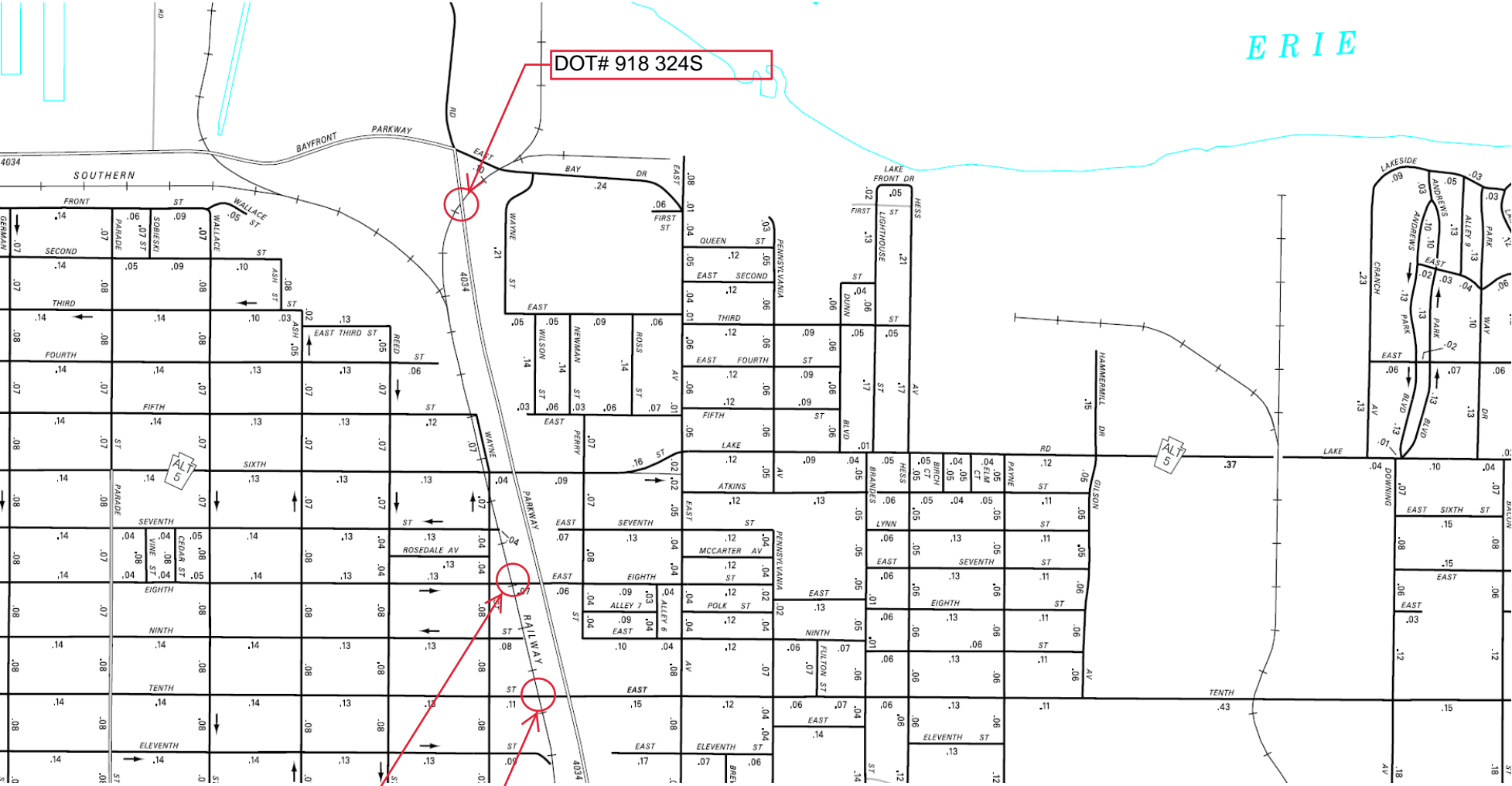
DOT No. 918 324S, 524 337C, 524 335N

CSX Transportation Inc.

Alteration of Railroad Warning Devices and Circuitry

DOT# 918 324S

ERIE



DOT# 524 337C

DOT # 524 335N

Exhibit "B"

Page 1 of 1