

August 12, 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 replace the existing public above grade crossing by the construction of a new bridge where State Route 0083 crosses over the tracks of National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK), DOT Number 518 047 F in the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin 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.

Sincerely,



Ahmed Lasloudji
Grade Crossing Administrator
District 8-0
Department of Transportation

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record
Mark Chappell, P.E., Chief, Right-of-Way and Utilities Section, 7th Floor, CKB
Karen L. Cummings, Counsel for Applicant, Office Chief of Counsel, 9th Floor, CKB
Rod Bender, PUC Manager, Rail Safety Engineering, Section PUC, 3rd Floor, CKB

**BEFORE THE
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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 modification of the public at grade crossing where State Route 0083 crosses over the tracks of railroad at DOT Number 518 047 F in the City of Harrisburg, Dauphin County as described below:

1. The name and address of Applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Christopher A. Drda, P.E., Acting District Executive, Engineering District 8-0, 2140 Herr Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103-1699.

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.

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:

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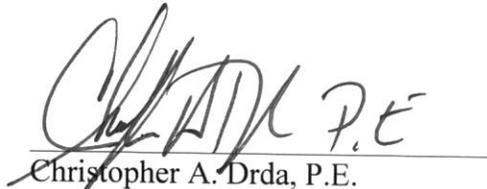
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5. The Applicant is seeking approval to alter the crossing by performing roadway improvements, including replacement of the existing bridge that carries State Route 0083 over the tracks of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK). The proposed structure will keep the existing three (3) lanes in each direction and add collector/distributor roadways in both the southbound and northbound directions to improve traffic flow and safety along the corridor. The proposed structure will remain within the existing aerial easement. The profile of the viaduct is being raised to provide the required minimum vertical clearance as well as maximize the span length over the railroad tracks to increase track horizontal clearances. A Location Map is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit “A”.

6. The Applicant is aware of prior Public Utility Commission orders for this crossing at Docket Number(s): A-00104101, A00099241, A-00083235.
7. The average daily traffic for State Route 0083 at this crossing is 51,051 vehicles with 16% trucks northbound, and 50,564 vehicles with 10% trucks southbound.
8. The estimated total cost for the project subject to the application and described above is \$120,000,000. The Applicant anticipates that the funding for the project will be 100% state 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:



Christopher A. Drda, P.E.

Acting District Executive
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Dated: 8/17/2021

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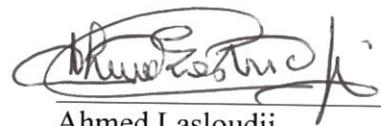
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VERIFICATION

I, Ahmed Lasloudji, 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: 8/12/2021



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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 by electronic mail pursuant to the Emergency Order at Docket Number M-2020-3019262:

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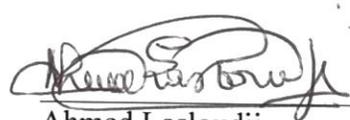
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Dated this August Day of 12th 2021



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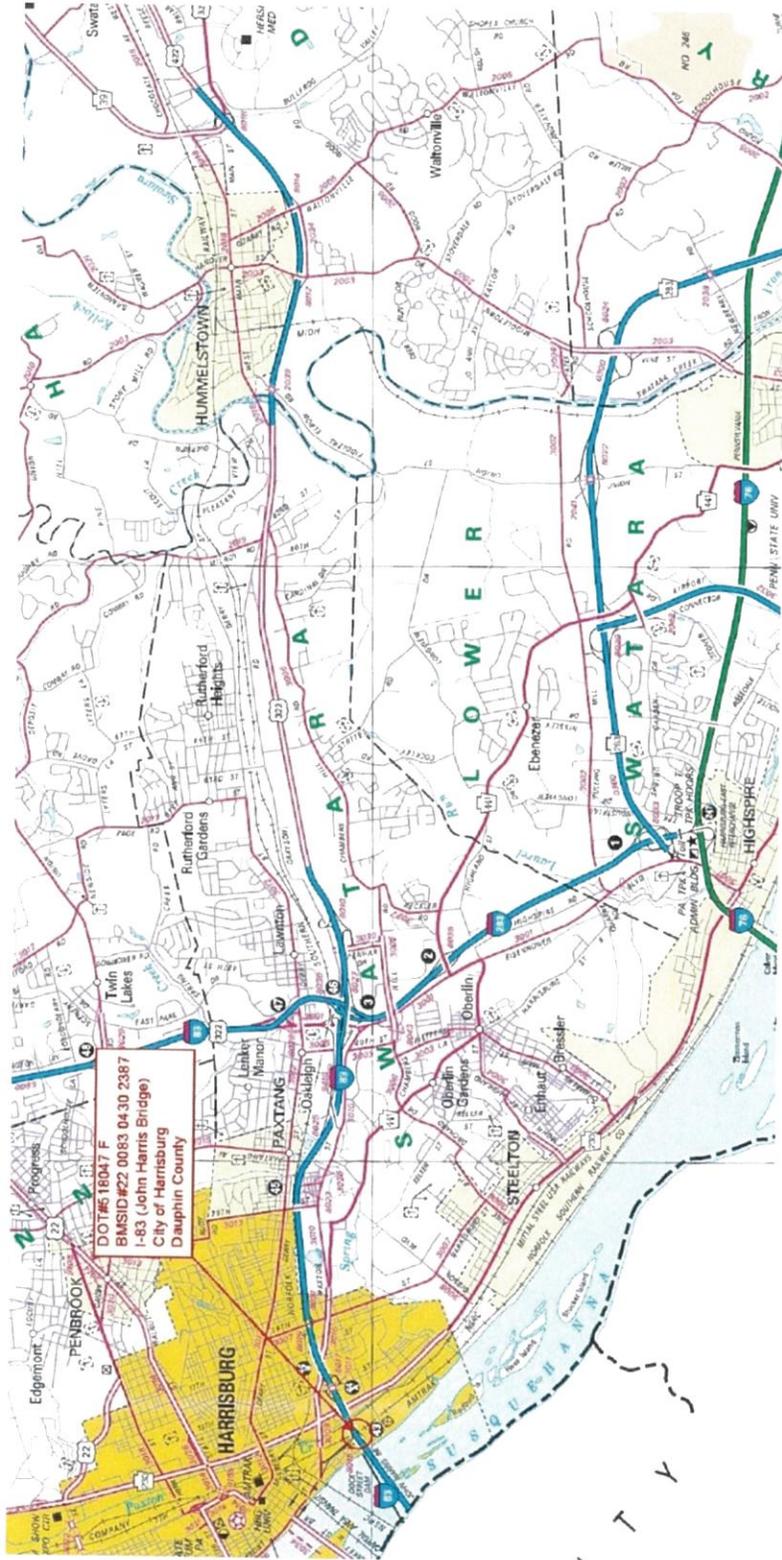


EXHIBIT "A"