

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

In RE: Application of Reading, Blue Mountain and Northern Railroad for Approval nunc pro tunc of the alteration of crossing (DOT No. 591-344T) where State Route 895 (Hughes Street) crosses at grade tracks of Reading, Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad in New Ringgold Borough, Schuylkill County, PA	: : : : : : : :	Docket No. Filed Electronically
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Reading, Blue Mountain and Northern Railroad, pursuant to the provisions of 52 Pa Code § 5.13(a), files this Application nunc pro tunc for the alteration of the public at-grade crossing (DOT No. 591 344 T) where State Route 895 crosses its tracks located in New Ringgold Borough, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, based upon the following:

1. The name and address of Applicant is Reading, Blue Mountain and Northern Railroad, 1 Railroad Boulevard, P.O. Box 218, Port Clinton, PA 19549.
2. The Reading, Blue Mountain and Northern Railroad (“RBMN”) is the owner and operator of the railroad crossing where RBMN crosses State Route 895 (Hughes Street) at grade in the New Ringgold Borough, Schuylkill County.
3. RBMN proposes to alter the crossing by replacing the existing concrete panel surfaces with rail seal and asphalt and paving the entire crossing in accordance with the standards of Reading & Northern Railroad and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (“PennDOT”).
4. The subject crossing is located at Mile post 87.95 on the Main Line. A Map of the project location is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit “A”.

5. The purpose of the project is to enhance public safety, in that the existing concrete pad crossing surface has crumbled and deteriorated beyond practical maintenance, and replacement is necessary to assure the continued safe passage of vehicular traffic. New Ringgold Borough (“Borough”) has agreed to this change in the crossing surface.
6. A list of all persons, parties and entities concerned in or potentially affected by the proposed project is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit “B”.
7. Public entities located in the vicinity of State Route 895 (Hughes Street) at grade crossing include: New Ringgold Borough, Schuylkill County, PennDOT District 5.
8. At urging of the New Ringgold Borough and PennDOT to complete this work prior to the start of the new school year, Reading & Northern plans to begin the work described herein at the subject crossing on August 5, 2024, and complete the work by August 13, 2024. As commission approval cannot practically be obtained prior to the start of work, Reading & Northern Railroad therefore seeks approval nunc pro tunc.

WHEREFORE, RBMN, respectfully requests this Honorable Public Utility Commission to approve its Application nunc pro tunc for the subject as stated herein.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: August 12, 2024

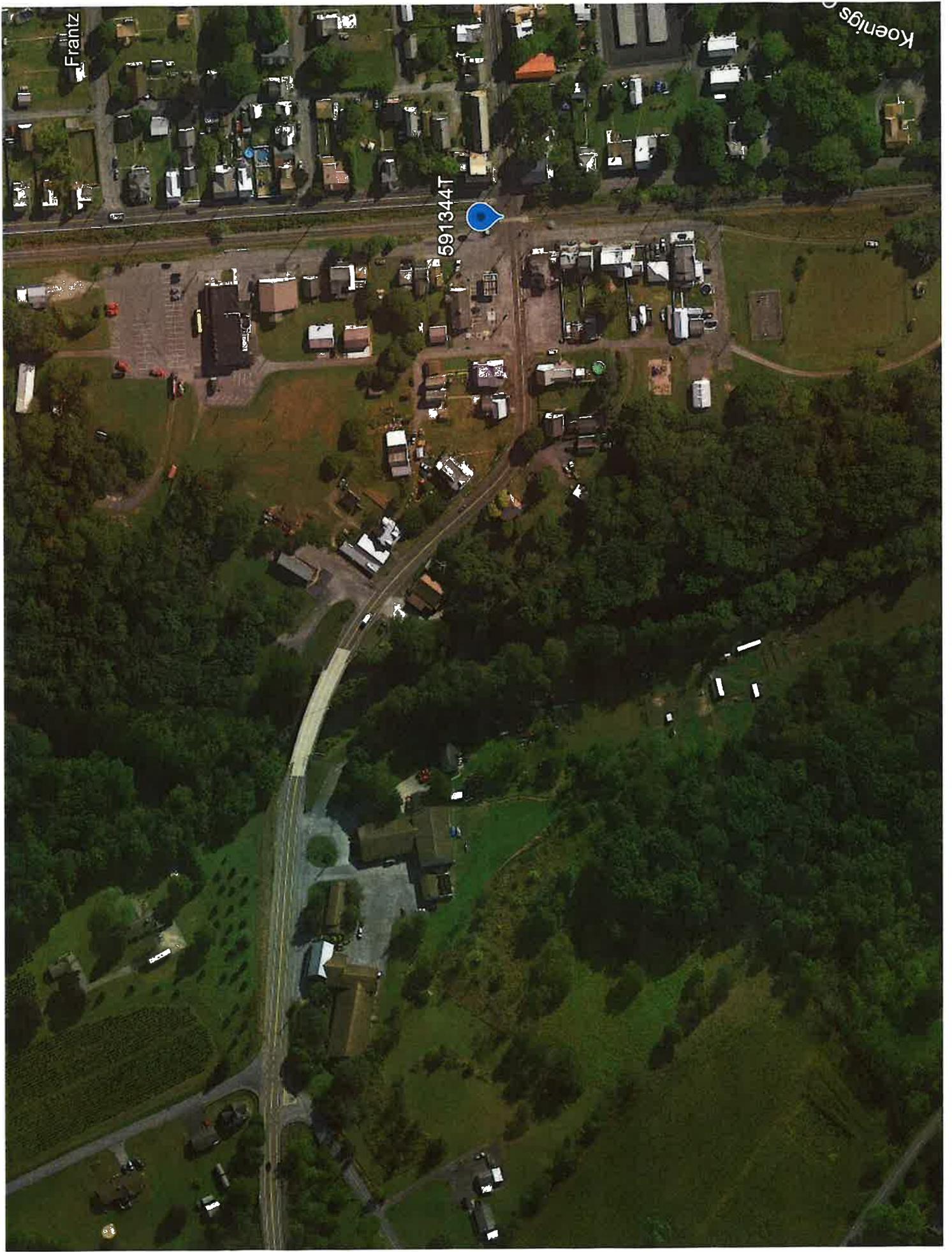
VERIFICATION

I, Matthew J. Johnson, VP Government Affairs, Reading & Northern Railroad, do state that I am authorized to make this statement on behalf of Reading & Northern Railroad and verify that I have read the attached Application and that the within information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. This verification is made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.



Matthew J. Johnson, VP Government Affairs

Date: August 12, 2024



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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, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by participant).

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Dated this 12 day of August, 2024.

 (Signature)