

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission**

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**SUBJECT:** Application Docket Number Request

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Secretary of the Commission

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Please consider this memo as a request for initiating an A- Emergency Rail Docket. The caption should read:

Bridge structure and roadway closure where Herron Avenue crosses above grade two (2) public crossings, a single track of Allegheny Valley Railroad (DOT 145 699 S), and three (3) tracks of Norfolk Southern Railway Company in part operated on by Amtrak (DOT 947 592 F), located in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

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