

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application Docket No. 92062

In re: Application of READING COMPANY - For approval of the alteration of the crossing, at grade, by the removal of a track therefrom, where the tracks of said company cross State Highway Route 09032 (Edgewood and Oxford Valley Road), in Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County.

ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION, JULY 19, 1965:

At a point in Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County, approximately 2,590 feet west of the former Roelofs station, three main tracks of Reading Company's New York Branch cross, at grade, State Highway Route 09032 (Edgewood and Oxford Valley Road).

In this application, Reading Company seeks Commission approval of the alteration of the crossing by the removal of its No. 4 main track.

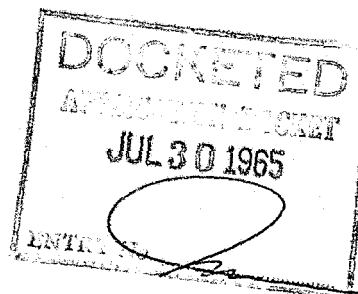
It is set forth in the application that the No. 4 main track proposed to be removed is no longer necessary or required for service to the public, and its removal will tend to effectuate the prevention of accidents and promote safety of the public.

A field conference, arranged by a Commission staff engineer and held March 26, 1965 at the site of the crossing, was attended by representatives of the applicant, Philadelphia Electric Company, Yardley Water Company, Lower Makefield Township, and Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The carrier agrees to remove, at its sole cost and expense, the rails, ties and other railroad facilities of the No. 4 main track within the limits of the highway and repave the area thus disturbed.

It was agreed at the field conference that the removal of the track from this crossing was necessary and would improve conditions and increase safety at the crossing.

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Each party to the proceeding has been served with a copy of the application; none has advised that it desires to be heard and a hearing appears unnecessary.

Upon full consideration of the matters and things involved, we find and determine that the alteration of the crossing, at grade, as above-described, is necessary or proper for the service, accommodation, convenience, or safety of the public; THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the instant application be and is hereby approved.
2. That the crossing, at grade, where three main tracks of Reading Company's New York Branch cross State Highway Route 09032 (Edgewood and Oxford Valley Road) in Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County, be altered by removal of the No. 4 main track within the limits of the highway.
3. That Reading Company, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all material and do all work necessary to remove the rails, ties and other railroad facilities of its No. 4 main track within the limits of State Highway Route 09032 (Edgewood and Oxford Valley Road), and to repave with bituminous concrete or other suitable material, conforming with the abutting highway, that portion of the highway disturbed by the removal of the track.
4. That Reading Company, at least 10 days prior to the removal of its No. 4 main track from the highway, notify Department of Highways of the actual date that the work will be started.
5. That any relocation of, changes in, or removal of any adjacent structures, equipment, or other facilities of any public utility, other than Reading Company, which may be required as incidental to the alteration of the crossing, be made by said public utility at the expense of the company and in such manner as will not interfere with the alteration of the crossing.
6. That Reading Company, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all material and do all work necessary to complete the

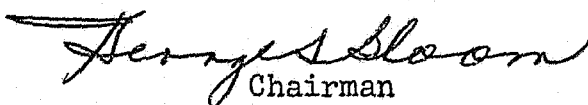
alteration of the crossing, including the installation or alteration of any facilities required to effect proper drainage of the highway at the site of the altered crossing.

7. That all work necessary to complete the alteration of the crossing be done in a manner satisfactory to this Commission on or before November 30, 1965, and that on or before said date Reading Company report to this Commission the date of actual completion of the work.

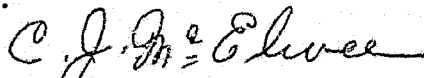
8. That upon completion of the alteration of the crossing, Reading Company, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all material and do all work necessary thereafter to maintain its remaining facilities at the crossing and to maintain in a smooth and satisfactory condition the crossing paving located between the rails, between the tracks and for a distance of at least 24 inches beyond each outside remaining rail.

9. That upon completion of the alteration of the crossing, Department of Highways, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all material and do all work necessary thereafter to maintain the highway approaches to the crossing, at grade, including the portion of the highway formerly occupied by the retired railroad facilities.

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Chairman

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary