



DATE: December 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter the public at-grade crossing by the installation of new, pre-empted, active traffic control devices and new asphalt crossing surface where S.R. 0187 crosses the track of R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Lehigh Line (DOT Number 361 207 C) in Wysox Township, Bradford County, and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

TO: Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

FROM: Gerald Wertz, P.E.
Assistant District Executive - Design
Engineering District 3-0
Department of Transportation

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gerald C. Wertz".

Dear Secretary, Homsher:

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.

Attachments

cc: Parties of Record

M. J. Chappell, P.E., Chief, Right-of-Way, Utilities and Grade Crossing Division

K. L. Cummings, Senior Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel

W. M. Sinick, P.E., Rail Safety Engineering Section, PUC

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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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 alteration of the public at grade crossing where State Route 0187 crosses tracks of railroad at DOT Number 361 207 C in Wysox Township, Bradford County as described below:

1. The name and address of Applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Gerald Wertz, P.E., Assistant District Executive, Engineering District 3-0, 715 Jordan Avenue, Montoursville, PA 17754.
2. The name and address of the attorney for the Applicant is Leah Bobula, Assistant 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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5. The Applicant is seeking approval for R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Lehigh Line to replace antiquated active warning devices with new, pre-empted, active warning devices and replace the existing rail seal and asphalt crossing surface with a new asphalt crossing surface where State Route 0187 crosses, at-grade, the single track of R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Lehigh Line at Segment 0500, Offset 3048. 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: A-00115238.

7. The average daily traffic for State Route 0187 at this crossing is 3,283 vehicles with 15% trucks.

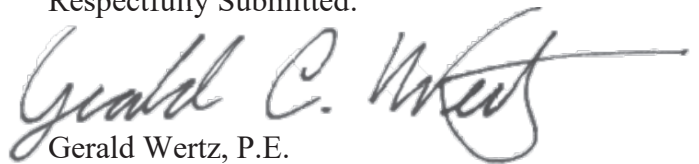
8. The estimated cost of the project subject to the application and described above is \$530,000.00. The Applicant agrees to reimburse R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Lehigh Line for its actual costs for this project with State Funds.

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:



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Dated: 12/17/2025

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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 52 Pa. Code § 1.54, by:

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Dated this 18th Day of December, 2025

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VERIFICATION

I, Steven Betts, District Grade Crossing Administrator, 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: 12/18/2025

Steven Betts
Steven Betts
District Grade Crossing Administrator
District 3-0

