



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
COMMONWEALTH KEYSTONE BUILDING
400 NORTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE

January 30, 2026

A-2025-3056642

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD

Bridge structure (BRKEY 3298) and roadway closure at the public crossing (DOT 869 358 A) where Clinton Road (T-881) crosses, above grade, a single track of Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Incorporated, located in South Buffalo Township, Armstrong County.

To Whom It May Concern:

By Secretarial Letter dated August 4, 2025, the Commission affirmed the action taken by South Buffalo Township (Township) to close the subject Clinton Road (T-881) bridge (BRKEY 3298) to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic and assigned future maintenance responsibility for the installed traffic control implements.

On October 21, 2025, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Department) notified a Commission staff engineer via email that AECOM, the local bridge inspection consultant, had completed a safety inspection of the recent structural repairs made to the subject bridge on October 17, 2025. The repairs performed by Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Incorporated (B&P) were found to be adequate and effectively mitigated the previously identified Critical Priority (Priority 0) maintenance items. With all Critical Priority maintenance items resolved, the structure was deemed safe by the Department to reopen to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic at its previously posted weight limit of 10 tons.

In light of the determination that the subject bridge was safe for use, a Commission staff engineer directed the Township via email on October 21, 2025, to reopen the structure to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic at its previously posted weight limit of 10 tons.

Following the reopening of the Clinton Road bridge, the Township indicated that it was seeking reimbursement from B&P for the costs it incurred to close the bridge and to provide traffic control measures while B&P made the necessary repairs. On November 12, 2025, the Township transmitted to B&P, via email, a detailed cost estimate and supporting invoices totaling \$118,818.59, representing the amount for which it is seeking reimbursement.

Since the transmittal of the reimbursement request, the two parties have been encouraged to continue working toward the resolution of the final costs. This Secretarial Letter serves as notice to both parties that, if the final costs are not resolved within sixty (60) days of the date of this Letter, the matter will be reassigned to the Commission's Office of Administrative Law Judge for adjudication.

The Commission issues this Secretarial Letter in accordance with Section 2702 of the Public Utility Code and finds that the affirmation of the reopening of the Clinton Road bridge is necessary and proper for the service, accommodation, convenience or safety of the public.

Upon review of the circumstances regarding the condition of the crossing and in the interest of safety to the public, we will affirm the reopening of the subject bridge and direct the parties to perform the following work accordingly; THEREFORE:

1. The action taken by South Buffalo Township to reopen the Clinton Road (T-881) bridge (BRKEY 3298), at the public crossing (DOT 869 358 A), to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic at a posted weight limit of 10 tons be and is hereby affirmed.
2. South Buffalo Township, notify local emergency management services and the local school district of the Clinton Road (T-881) bridge opening at public crossing (DOT 869 358 A).
3. Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Incorporated and South Buffalo Township shall provide notice to this Commission within sixty (60) days of the date of this Secretarial Letter regarding the resolution of the disputed final costs. If notice from the parties is not received by the aforementioned date, the matter will be reassigned to the Commission's Office of Administrative Law Judge for adjudication of the final costs and the resolution of any other outstanding issues. All parties of record will be served notice of the date on which a hearing is scheduled.
4. In all respects not inconsistent herewith, our Secretarial Letters and Orders docketed at C-20030388 remain in full force and effect.

The Parties are reminded that failure to comply with this or any Order or Secretarial Letter in this proceeding may result in an enforcement action seeking civil penalties and/or other sanctions pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 3301.

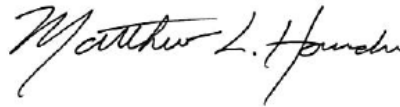
All formal documents must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission. Documents must be eFiled, mailed or hand delivered. All filings should be addressed to the Secretary, PA Public Utility Commission, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120. The Commission will not accept documents delivered by fax or by e-mail. Parties are encouraged to file formal documents by eFiling with the Secretary of the Commission by opening an eFiling account through the Commission's website (the account is free of charge) and accepting eservice at <https://www.puc.pa.gov/filing-resources/efiling/>.

If your filing contains confidential material, you are required to file by overnight delivery to ensure the timely filing of your submission. There are certain filings that cannot be eFiled, such as filings containing confidential or proprietary material. These must be submitted to the Secretary by overnight delivery, priority, or certified mail to allow tracking of your filing.

If you are dissatisfied with the resolution of this matter, you may, as set forth in 52 Pa. Code §§ 1.31 and 5.44, file a Petition for Reconsideration from Staff Action (Petition) with the Commission within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter. The Petition shall be eFiled with the Secretary of the Commission or sent to: Secretary, PA Public Utility Commission, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, and must be filed within twenty (20) days, or if no timely request is made, the action will be deemed to be a final action of the Commission.

The Petition MUST include: (1) a written statement (divided into numbered paragraphs) outlining the reasons for the request; (2) the case docket number (it is provided for you at the top right-hand corner of this letter); (3) the party on whose behalf the petition is made; (4) a Certificate of Service on the other parties of record; and (5) a Verification with original signature in accordance with 52 Pa. Code § 1.36.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew L. Homsher". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Matthew L. Homsher
Secretary