

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheet

1. REPORT DATE: July 14, 1995	2. BUREAU AGENDA NO.: AUG-95-TS-RS-286
3. BUREAU: Transportation & Safety	
4. SECTION(S): Rail Safety	5. PUBLIC MEETING DATE: August 3, 1995
6. APPROVED BY: Director: Nicely 3-3846 Supervisor: Hart 7-9732	
7. PERSONS IN CHARGE: Wilhelm 7-6805	
8. DOCKET NO.: I-00830373	

9. (a) CAPTION (abbreviate if more than 4 lines)
(b) Short summary of history & facts, documents & briefs
(c) Recommendation

(a) Investigation upon the Commission's own motion into matters pertaining to the proper service, accommodation, convenience and safety of the traveling public using the rail-highway crossing carrying 59th Street over and above the grade of the tracks of National Railroad Passenger Corporation in the City of Philadelphia, to determine the condition, disposition and responsibility for maintenance of the existing crossing structure.

(b) The subject investigation proceeding was instituted by order adopted April 29, 1983. Hearings were held on August 18, 1983, June 18, 1985 and July 1, 1993, and orders were adopted on April 26, 1984, October 31, 1985, April 1, 1993 and April 7, 1994.

By petition filed February 6, 1995, the City of Philadelphia requested that the April 7, 1994 order be modified so as to delete certain requirements pertaining to preparation of plans and subsequent repair of the subject bridge. The Commission

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10. MOTION BY: Commissioner Chm. Quain
 Commissioner Hanger - Yes
 Commissioner Rolka - Yes
 SECONDED: Commissioner Crutchfield
 Commissioner Bloom - Yes

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CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.

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granted the City's petition by order adopted June 6, 1995. There are no further issues to be addressed in this proceeding.

(c) The Bureau of Transportation and Safety recommends that the Commission close the record in this proceeding. The Secretary should be instructed to notify all parties in interest of this action and to file a copy of the notification letter in the document folder.



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To Whom It May Concern

This is to advise you that the Commission at Public Meeting held August 3, 1995 has ordered the above proceeding marked closed.

Very truly yours,

John G. Alford
Secretary

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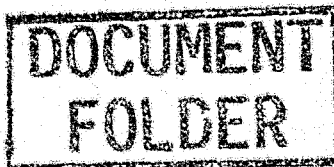
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In re: City of Philadelphia
Bridge Maintenance Requirements
Woodland Avenue over SEPTA (AAR 541 452 D)
59th Street over AMTRAK (AAR 531 233 M)

Dear Mr. Clark:

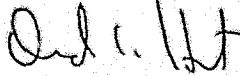
Enclosed are copies of the latest bridge inspection reports for the referenced structures as submitted to this Commission by Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

The Woodland Avenue report indicates that the weight limit posting signs are missing. By order adopted August 26, 1993, under Proceeding I-00870064, this Commission directed the City of Philadelphia to erect and maintain 25 ton load limit posting signs at each end of the subject bridge and at proper locations on the approaches thereto. We therefore ask that you take immediate action to replace the missing signs.

According to the 59th Street report, numerous deterioration-related deficiencies were noted on the bridge, particularly on the deck and superstructure. The City is hereby reminded that maintenance responsibility for the 59th Street bridge was assigned to the city by Commission order adopted April 7, 1994 under Proceeding I-00830373. Please take whatever action is necessary to make any needed repairs on a timely basis.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss these matters further, please call at your convenience. In addition, please notify our office when the posting signs have been replaced at the Woodland Avenue crossing.

Very truly yours,



David C. Hart, P.E., Manager
Rail Safety Division
Bureau of Transportation & Safety

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In re: City of Philadelphia
 Bridge Inspection Reports
 Woodland Avenue (AAR 541 452 D)
 59th Street (AAR 531 233 M)
 Cemetery Avenue (AAR 140 634 G)

Dear Mr. Pickering:

Under cover letter dated August 21, 1995, your office submitted copies of the latest bridge inspection reports for the above-referenced bridges, and requested that the Commission investigate these bridges and assign maintenance responsibilities to the appropriate parties.

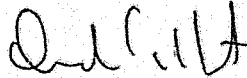
Please be advised that maintenance responsibility has already been allocated at each crossing by prior Commission order as follows:

- Woodland Avenue - Proceeding I-00870064 - Substructure and superstructure to SEPTA, wearing surface divided between SEPTA and City of Philadelphia (Be advised that this decision is currently on appeal by SEPTA and will likely change).
- 59th Street - Proceeding I-00830373 - Entire structure assigned to City of Philadelphia.
- Cemetery Avenue - Proceeding A-00088079 - Entire structure assigned to Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, predecessor of CSX Transportation, Inc.

We have forwarded a copy of the pertinent inspection reports to City of Philadelphia and CSX Transportation, Inc. We suggest that you contact the respective parties to arrange reimbursement of inspection costs. If you are unsuccessful, we recommend that you file appropriate formal complaints.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please call at your convenience.

Very truly yours,



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