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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Transportation
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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 automatically operated flashing-light crossing warning signals with short arm gates where Fifth Street crosses the two (2) tracks of Norfolk Southern Railway Company (DOT No.:592340 U) in the City of Lebanon, Lebanon County *all in accordance with the Federal Grade Crossing Program* and the location of costs incident thereto

Dear Ms. Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing, please find the original and three (3) copies of the application of the Department of Transportation.

A copy of this application has been served upon the parties in the Certificate of Service attached to the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael S. Gillespie".

Michael S. Gillespie, P.E.
Assistant District Executive - Design
Engineering District 8-0
Department of Transportation

**BEFORE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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To the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

1. The name and address of applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Michael S. Gillespie, P.E., Assistant District Executive for Design, Engineering District 8-0, 2140 Herr Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103-1699
2. The name and address of attorney for the applicant are William J. Cressler, Chief Counsel, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Office of Chief Counsel, P.O. 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., filing this application on behalf of the City of Lebanon as evidenced by Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto.
4. It is desirable to alter the subject at-grade crossing already equipped with standard flashing-lights by the installation of new automatically operated flashing-light crossing warning signals with short arm gates where Fifth Street crosses at-grade the two (2) tracks of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company (DOT# 592340 U) in the City of Lebanon, Lebanon County. (For location map see Exhibit "B" attached.)
5. 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.
6. Fifth Street crosses at-grade the two (2) tracks of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company and said crossing should be altered as indicated. The ADT for Fifth Street Crossing is 1197 vehicles with 5% trucks.
7. The Department agrees to provide 100% of the design costs and also agrees to provide federal funds for construction costs up to \$395,544.00 for the new automatically operated flashing-light crossing warning signals with short arm gates.

8. This project is necessary and proper for the safety and convenience of the public.
9. A conference of all parties of interest should be held to discuss the proposed alteration.

Wherefore, applicant respectfully requests that the Public Utility Commission approve the application:

Respectfully Submitted:



Michael S. Gillespie, P.E.
Assistant District Executive
Engineering District 8-0
Department of Transportation

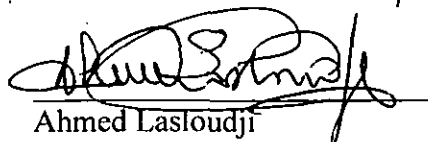
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VERIFICATION

I, Ahmed Lasloudji, 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: 3/11/2015


Ahmed Lasloudji
Grade Crossing Administrator
Engineering District 8-0
Department of Transportation

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Room 220

Robin L. Getz, Director
Sherry L. Capello, Mayor

February 10, 2015

Ahmed Lasloudji
Engineering District 8-0
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
2140 Herr Street
Harrisburg, PA 17103

RE: DOT #592340 U/5th Street Improvement-Railroad Crossing

Dear Mr. Lasloudji,

Accept this letter as notice to proceed with the design and construction phase of the 5th Street improvement at that railroad crossing location. It is my understanding that you have secured the federal funding for the upgrade of the above referenced crossing. And further that Norfolk Southern will be absorbing the remaining associated costs that would be equal to approximately 5% of the total project.

As way of this letter, the City of Lebanon is authorizing Penn Dot to file the appropriate application with the PUC on behalf of the City for this project.

If you should have questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me

Respectfully submitted,

Robin L. Getz, Public Works Director

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Exhibit "A"

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Location Map

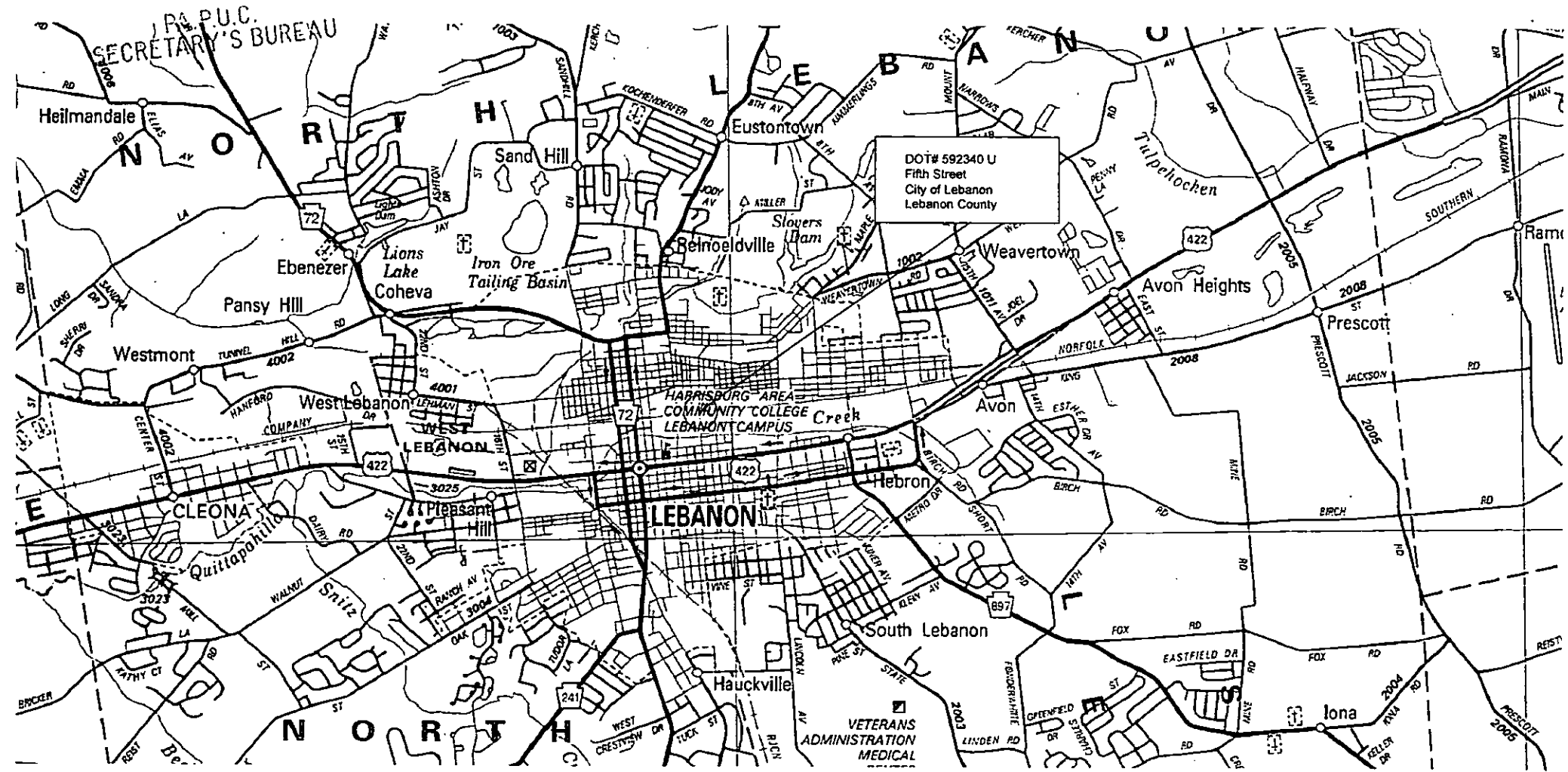


Exhibit "B"

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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 first class mail, postage prepaid:

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Engineering District 8-0
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2140 Herr Street
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Attn: Ahmed Lasloudji

Mr. Stephen Klinger
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Administrator Grade Crossing Program
1200 Peachtree Street, NE, Box 123
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Mr. Timothy J. Bentley III, Esquire
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Mr. Robin L. Getz
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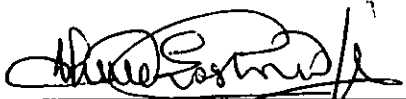
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Dated 11th Day of March 2015


Ahmed Lasloudji
Grade Crossing Administrator
Engineering District 8-0
Department of Transportation

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