

BEFORE THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS

STATE OF WISCONSIN

On the Commissioner's Own Motion for a Determination of the Adequacy of Warning Devices at the Grade Crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Co. Tracks with STH 67 in the Town of Sharon, Walworth County

9040-RX-1136

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

On January 21, 2004, the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads (OCR) issued an order that required the installation of cantilevered 12" LED automatic flashing lights with gates and constant warning time circuitry at the public crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Co. (UP) tracks with STH 67 in the Town of Sharon, Walworth County (Crossing No.177 027A / MP 71.71).

On August 16, 2004, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) submitted an inspection report of the crossing indicating that cantilevered signals are not needed. The crossing presently has 12" incandescent automatic flashing lights with one non-'walk-out' cantilever on the east side and a sidelight for New Factory Road on the mast-mounted signal west of the crossing. The existing cantilever was installed in anticipation of highway project to widen the shoulder to accommodate turning movements from New Factory Road, but the widening never happened.

The Commissioner agrees that cantilevered signals are not necessary at this location. New signals can be placed between 22-3" and 24-3" from the roadway centerline. Visibility to those locations is unobstructed for ½-mile along STH 67.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED,

1. That the **Union Pacific Railroad Co.** shall install and maintain **mast-mounted** 12" LED automatic flashing lights with gates, and constant warning time circuitry with appropriate appurtenances in accordance with such plans as are filed with and approved by the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads at the crossing of its tracks with STH 67 at-grade in the Town of Sharon, Walworth County by **December 31, 2005** (Crossing No.177 027A / MP 71.71).

2. That jurisdiction is retained.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____.

By the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads.

Rodney W. Kreunen
Commissioner of Railroads