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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
 BETWEEN THE
 THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
 AND DEVELOPMENT
 AND
 CITY OF HAMMOND**

**STATE PROJECT NO. H.010703
 IC (HAMMOND)
 IC City Spur (Ponchatoula Creek to the West)
 TANGIPAHOA PARISH**

This Memorandum of Understanding, hereafter referred to as “MOU”, between the City of Hammond, hereafter referred to as “City”, and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, hereafter referred to as “DOTD”, sets forth the Parties’ responsibilities with respect to the upgrade of highway/rail crossing safety along the IC City Spur through the City from the Ponchatoula Creek bridge to the West under State Project No. H.010703, hereafter referred to as “Project”. The existing four IC City Spur at highway/rail grade crossings are listed in the following Table:

#	Street Name	Fed. DOT #	Existing Warning	Proposed Warning Under This Project
1	Bonita Street	908174J	Crossbucks	Crossbuck Assemblies
2	Church Street	980175R	Crossbucks	Crossbuck Assemblies
3	LA 443/Morris Rd	908172V	Crossbucks	Cantilevered Flashing Lights
4	Wood Scale Rd	908173C	Crossbucks	Crossbuck Assemblies

See Attachment A for a map of the above four IC City Spur at grade crossings.

The purpose of this MOU is to memorialize the Parties’ intent relative to the captioned project for the purpose of enhancing highway/rail safety along the four IC City Spur at grade crossings through the City from the Ponchatoula Creek bridge to the West. This Project will improve these four railroad crossings’ warning by construction of new warning devices at the crossings, hereby improving the crossings’ warning and enhancing their safety.

The purpose of this MOU is to memorialize the Parties’ intent relative to the captioned project for the four DOT Nos. all in the Parish of Tangipahoa, identified under the DOTD State Project No. H.010703 and RR Unit Tracking No. 714-53-0123.

The City and DOTD hereby agree as follows:

Each Party to this MOU will voluntarily undertake the act set forth herein, subject to the constraints of their respective budgets and applicable laws.

This MOU shall become effective upon execution by both Parties.

1. Design Plans – This proposed Project will consist of constructing new railroad warning devices for the City’s four railroad crossings list above.

2. Create new railroad crossings warning – DOTD will, making use of Federal funds, enter into a Construction Agreement with a Railroad to create new railroad warning devices under this Project for the City’s four railroad crossings listed above.
3. Ongoing Maintenance of New LA 443 railroad active warning – Upon completion of Project and acceptance by DOTD, this new LA 443 railroad active warning devices will be maintained by the City in accordance with Federal standards and guidelines.
4. Ongoing Maintenance of New Crossbuck Assemblies warning – Upon completion of Project and acceptance by DOTD, the three new Crossbuck Assemblies warning devices (for Bonita, Church and Wood Scale crossings) will be maintained by the City.
5. The City agrees to maintain the round yellow and black Advance Railroad Warning signs (W10-1) for the roadway road way approaches to the Bonita, Church and Wood Scale crossings and the Railroad Pavement markings (white Pavement Marking Symbol and Stop lines) for the roadway road way approaches to the Wood Scale crossing.

The MOU shall become effective upon execution by the parties.

Witness

Date

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City of Hammond
Taxpayer ID # 72-0573539

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Secretary - DOTD