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November 16, 2009

Mr. Curt Stollings
2647 Germany Road
Waverly, Ohio 45690

Dear Mr. Stollings:

Thank you for your correspondence of October 21 regarding tractor-trailer truck traffic on County Road 66 (Germany Road) in Pike County and County Road 23 (Piketon-Minford Road) in Scioto County.

While the Ohio Department of Transportation is responsible for maintaining all state and federal roadways that exist within state-owned right of way, jurisdiction for the maintenance of roadways that lie within villages, cities, townships or counties falls to the respective local government entity. As you are aware, Germany Road and Piketon-Minford Road are county roads and, therefore, under the authority of the Pike and Scioto County Engineer's offices, respectively.

Upon receipt of your letter via e-mail, though, I requested that ODOT District 9's traffic department contact both agencies to ascertain the status of the vertical clearance signing for the CSX Railroad overpass on these routes. It is my understanding that Pike County Engineer Denny Salisbury has installed advanced warning signs at several locations, including at the intersection of Germany Road and County Road 68 (Dutch Run Road), which provides the greatest clearance for truck operators to turn around their vehicles.

While Mr. Salisbury has taken steps to install additional signs to indicate the vertical clearance on Germany Road, he has also recently installed dual signs at the southern junction of Germany Road at County Road 67 (Dewey Extension Road; Sci-CR22). In addition, ODOT forces from the Scioto County Highway Maintenance Facility will install an advanced warning vertical clearance sign and a S.R. 32 directional sign at the intersection of Piketon-Minford Road and S.R. 335.

We at the department appreciate your concerns regarding the safety of your roadway and ask that you contact us in the future if you should have other questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim", written over a horizontal line.

James A. Brushart
District 9 Deputy Director

Greg Baird/Planning/D09/ODOT
11/23/2009 11:25 AM

To Katrina Betts/Administration/D09/ODOT@ODOT, Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT@ODOT
cc
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Subject Fw: Semi-Traffic on Germany Rd

FYI

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Jim Brushart/Administration/D09 /ODOT
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cc
Subject Fw: Semi-Traffic on Germany Rd

All,

Please review this complaint and suggestion for a remedy to this situation in Pike County and advise me if we can correct this problem with the proper signs, or if you have another recommendation.

Thanks,

Jim

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10/21/2009 05:55 PM

To jim.brushart@dot.state.oh.us
cc
Subject Semi-Traffic on Germany Rd

Jim,

You may not be aware that for well over a year Germany Rd (a county road) has become a favorite route for Semi-Truck drivers. I presume they think it is a shortcut from US 52 Wheelersburg area, Minford area, to SR 32. However, Germany Rd has a 10' 8' CSX Railroad overpass which prevents the Semi's from reaching SR 32. Therefore, they must turn around and backtrack, thus, creating double the truck traffic on Germany Rd.

Using Germany RD for SEMI Trucks routinely is a major accident waiting to happen with the already heavy car, log truck, and school buses traveling the county road.

As you are probably aware, Germany Rd ends at the Pike County Line just north of Fallen Timber Rd, Scioto Co.

I have a suggestion to eliminate the heavy Semi traffic on Germany RD as well as Piketon/Minford Rd, aka Piketon Fairview Rd in Scioto Co.

If a sign were posted in the fork of SR 32 and Fairview Rd indicating a low overpass 12 miles (approx.) ahead, Semi's would be directed onto SR 335 to SR 32 vs Germany Rd.

I would attempt to contact both county engineers to resolve this issue, but I fear it would be a waste of my time.

I do hope you or your people can remedy this issue.

Thank You

Curt Stollings

**Kathleen
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11/23/2009 11:19 AM


To Katrina Betts/Administration/D09/ODOT@ODOT
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Subject Fw:

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To Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT@ODOT
cc
Subject Re: Fw: 

Kathleen,


Looks good as always!

Thanks,
Greg

Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT

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To Greg Baird/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT
cc
Subject Re: Fw: 

Greg,

I don't know if it's still needed or not, but here is a revised draft of the response to Mr. Stollings.

Please let me know if it's okay.
Thanks!
Kathleen



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Greg Baird/Planning/D09/ODOT



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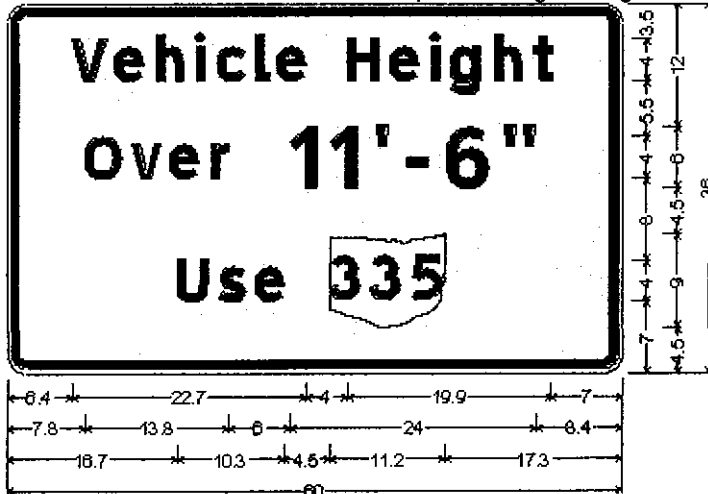
To Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT@ODOT
cc Doug Buskirk/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT, Jennifer
Phillips/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT
Subject Fw:

Kathleen,

We have come up with an action plan on this. Here is the latest:

The Pike county Engineer did install dual signs at the Dewey Extension intersection.

The Scioto County Engineer is not going to install the sign, but we can install it at the intersection of CR 23 and SR 335. Jennifer has come up with a sign design for this, and I have copied it below.



1.9" Radius, 0.8" Border, 0.8" Indent, Black on Yellow;
"Vehicle Height" ClearviewHwy-4-W; "Over" ClearviewHwy-4-W;
"11'-6" ClearviewHwy-4-W; "Use" ClearviewHwy-4-W;
State Highway 335 M1-H5-9-3;

We are going to place this sign at the intersection of CR 23 and SR 335. Along with this we are also going to place the below sign on SR 335 just to the north of this intersection to hopefully pull traffic on SR 335.




Just wanted to update on where this was going.

Thanks,
Greg

----- Forwarded by Greg Baird/Planning/D09/ODOT on 11/10/2009 03:33 PM -----

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To Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT
cc Doug Buskirk/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT
Subject Re: 

More information,

I have talked again with the receptionist for the Scioto County Engineer, she said he said no he did not want to install the sign. If we wanted to install it he was OK with that. She did say that if the call came from the Pike County Engineer's office, he may be more apt to install it. I called the Pike County Engineer's office and left the message to see if he would ask for the sign. I talked with Mr. Brushart, he said that if this does not work out then he wants us to install the sign in Scioto County. We can do that since it is a state route, county road intersection.

Now I guess we wait and see what comes of this.

Greg

Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT

Kathleen Fuller/Administration/D09/ODOT
10/26/2009 03:16 PM

To Greg Baird/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT, Doug Buskirk/Planning/D09/ODOT@ODOT
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Gentlemen,

