



Senator Gregory L. DiDonato
30th Senate District

March 3, 2000

Mr. Daniel Van Epps
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Dover, OH 44622

Dear Daniel:

I have enclosed a copy of the response that was sent to me from the Ohio Rail Development Commission. I hope you will find the information provided useful.

According to the letter, Mr. Tompos, acting executive director of the commission, said at this time the removal of the interchange is not permanent. And if new traffic is generated in the future then the interchange will be reinstalled to accommodate it.

Once again, thank you for contacting my office regarding this matter. If I can be of assistance on any other state matter, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Gregory L. DiDonato
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Dear Senator DiDonato:

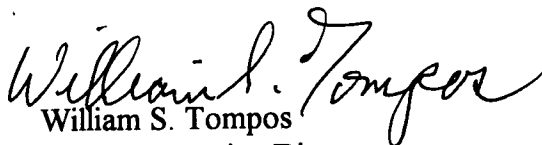
Thank you for the letter from your constituent regarding the railroad interchange known as the Uhrichsville Junction in Uhrichsville, Ohio. We share concerns regarding the preservation of railroad infrastructure in Ohio.

The Uhrichsville Junction has not been used for many years. Currently there is no traffic that needs to be interchanged between the Columbus and Ohio River Railroad and the R.J. Corman Railroad in Uhrichsville. The Ohio Central Railroad has indicated that the removal of the interchange is not permanent. In the future, when new traffic is generated and the demand for the interchange returns then the necessary railroad infrastructure can be put back into place. In the interim, any traffic needing to be switched between these two railroads can be handled at the existing interchange at Beach City.

Once again, thank you for your letter. I hope that we have answered the questions and concerns regarding the Uhrichsville Junction.

We look forward to your continued support as we work to improve the railroad system in Ohio.

Sincerely,


William S. Tompos
Acting Executive Director