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Ms. Jo Strang
Associate Administrator for Safety
Federal Railroad Administration
RRS-25
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Town of Ipswich, Massachusetts
Quiet Zone Notice of Detailed Plan

Dear Ms. Strang:

As defined by the FRA's "Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings; Final Rule", and in accordance with §222.41(c) "Pre-Rule Quiet Zones and Pre-Rule Partial Quiet Zones that will not be established by automatic approval", the Town of Ipswich, Massachusetts (the Public Authority) is submitting this Notice of Detailed Plan to describe the planned installation of supplemental safety measures to establish the Pre-Rule Quiet Zone by June 24, 2010. We are also requesting that the Federal Rail Administration grant a waiver to the town for the schedule of this submittal.

In compliance with the Final Rule, we have provided copies of this *Notice of Detailed Plan* to the affected parties. In the future, the Town will continue to work closely with the FRA, the MBTA and the other affected parties as we prepare our design plans for the proposed safety measures.

If you have any questions regarding the Town's *Notice of Detailed Plan* or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Robert T. Markel
Town Manager

cc: Anthony Gouveia, John D. Ray-MBTA
Michail Grizkewitsch, Randall Dickinson, FRA
Guy Rezendes, MassHighway
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