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Dear Sir,

I am writing to request that the Common Council approve a resolution petitioning for the alteration of an at-grade crossing described on the engineering drawings submitted to your office.

As you know, SACO AEI Polymers has purchased the old Nemschoff Building at 1012 South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street in Sheboygan and has invested multiple millions of dollars in building renovations, new production capability and new R&D laboratories. Our new production process will consume large quantities of specific polymer resins (in the form of plastic pellets). Without access to low-cost rail delivery of these raw materials, the process would likely not be economically viable. Short term higher costs of raw materials delivered by truck can be absorbed temporarily but it is not sustainable. Without rail access at the facility, SACO could lose significant investments already made in the new manufacturing capability and hiring would be negatively affected. Significant delays would also tarnish SACO's reputation as a reliable partner in the supply chains we service.

Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please contact either Steve Baumhardt or me. My contact information can be found at the bottom of my email. SACO AEI Polymers looks forward to continued success building our business within the City of Sheboygan.

*Ronald E. Smolenski*

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