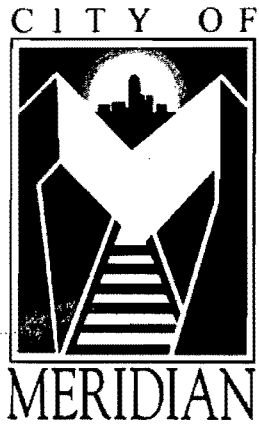


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October 15, 2009

Mr. Phillip Garrett, E.I.
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Re: Meridian Southern Railway Proposed Spur

Dear Mr. Garrett:

Per our telephone conversation yesterday, I apologize for overlooking the casing details on Sheet 4. With that being said, I have further reviewed the plans for the Proposed Railway Connection for Meridian Southern Railway, LLC dated 9/23/2009 and I believe all of the city's immediate concerns have been addressed.

Construction for the above referenced project may proceed. I regret, however, that we were unable to include the additional bore, which the city had requested earlier, in this project. The section of sewer line that will require the bore is in much need of replacement.

Frankly, I am greatly disappointed at the lack of willingness to cooperate with the city's efforts by the rail entities involved. With the current economic situation, a collaborative effort would have allowed the city to accomplish work that we cannot afford to do otherwise.

Please contact me at 601-485-1917 or champadcock@meridianms.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ken:

As we discussed, attached for inclusion in the environmental docket is a letter from the City of Meridian confirming that the City's concerns regarding the construction project have been resolved and that construction may proceed. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Regards,
Janie

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