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Mr. Steve Angel
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Dear Mr. Angel:

This letter is regarding the ongoing blockage at the CSX railroad crossing on Joy Road near Haggerty Road in Canton, Michigan. This is a serious matter of public safety that requires immediate attention.

According to the Canton Township supervisor, and as confirmed by the attached photographs, a train has been blocking the Joy Road crossing since the morning of Tuesday, August 18. Local officials have contacted CSX but have not received a clear plan for addressing the situation or an estimated time for when the train will be moved. At the very least, they have urged CSX to find a way to move the railcars off the crossing to restore access for vehicles while a long-term solution is developed.

We also understand an intersection in Livonia, Michigan, was blocked for nearly 48-hours until late last evening. While Livonia's blockage has been cleared, the blockage in Canton remains unresolved and completely impassable to vehicular traffic as of the writing of this letter. This is an unacceptable public safety issue causing serious confusion and disruption in the community that must be immediately addressed.

A prolonged train blockage can have serious consequences, particularly when it impacts routes used by police, fire, and other emergency services. The community should not be left without timely information about what is happening, what is being done to resolve the situation, and when the crossing is expected to reopen.

To better understand what is happening and ensure appropriate steps are being taken to address the situation, I ask that CSX immediately provide responses to the following questions:

1. What is causing the current blockage, and what is CSX doing to resolve it?

2. How was it possible for the blockage in Livonia to be resolved, but Canton's left unaddressed?
3. When does CSX currently anticipate that the train will be moved and the Joy Road crossing will reopen? If an estimated timeline is not available, please explain why and when an update is expected.
4. What communication has occurred between CSX and local officials regarding the blockage? Please provide information on when CSX first communicated with local officials and what information was provided about the cause, expected duration, and resolution of the blockage.
5. What information is CSX providing, or planning to provide, to the community regarding the blockage and its anticipated resolution?
6. What steps is CSX taking to ensure that the blockage does not interfere with police, fire, EMS, or other emergency response, and has CSX coordinated with local public safety officials on these concerns?
7. What steps will CSX take to improve communication with the community when a train is expected to block a crossing for an extended period?

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and to working with CSX to ensure Canton and localities across Southeast Michigan have the information and support they need. No community should be left without answers on serious matters of public safety.

Sincerely,



Debbie Dingell
Member of Congress