



August 5, 2016

**VIA E-MAIL**

Ms. Samantha Holcombe

Email: [s.holcombe@d3g.com](mailto:s.holcombe@d3g.com)

RE: 16-FOIA-185 Noise information North Central Service Line

Dear Ms. Holcombe:

We are in receipt of your request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*

On July 20, 2016, we received your request for the following information in connection with the North Central Service line near Metra's Western Avenue Station:

- The average train speed;
- How many engines per train;
- Whether the engines are electric or diesel;
- How many cars per train; and
- If the train uses any kind of horns or whistles.

(**"Request"**).

In response to your Request, Metra's Transportation Department is providing you with the following information:

- The average speed for the trains stopping at the Western Avenue station is 20 MPH;
- One engine per train, with the exception of one or two trains operating with two;
- The engines are diesel;
- Cars per train varies from four to our largest ten; and
- This area is under a quiet zone, no horn is used unless needed to warn railway workers or the public.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Freedom of Information Officer

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