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December 8, 2011

Steve Hefley
Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad
411 North 3rd Street
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RE: TR-110165 thru TR-110171 - Grade Crossing Protective Fund Applications

Dear Mr. Hefley:

On January 19, 2011, Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad (PSAP) filed several Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) applications with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission). The Commission assigned the following docket numbers to these applications.

- TR-110165 – South Newell Street, Aberdeen
- TR-110166 – Hewitt Road, Grays Harbor County
- TR-110168 – North 2nd Street, Elma
- TR-110169 – North 5th Street, Elma
- TR-110170 – North 10th Street, Elma
- TR-110171 – North 17th Street, Grays Harbor County

PSAP requested grant funds to contribute toward related crossing closure costs. On the same day that PSAP filed these GCPF applications, petitions to close these crossings were also filed with the Commission.

On February 1, 2011, the Commission notified PSAP that the Commission could not act on the GCPF applications until decisions had been made on the closure petitions.

On December 2, 2011, PSAP filed a motion to withdraw the petitions. On December 6, 2011, the Commission granted the motion, thus making the GCPF applications TR-110166 thru TR-110171 moot. The Commission has accordingly closed these dockets.

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One GCPF application filed by PSAP remains pending, TR-110165. This application seeks grant funding to contribute toward crossing closure costs for the South Newell Street crossing in Aberdeen. As you know, Aberdeen is a First Class City and therefore the Commission does not have jurisdiction at public crossings. Please provide an update by December 16, 2011, on what the status is on the closure of the South Newell Street crossing, including whether PSAP would still like to pursue GCPF funding.

If you have any further questions, please contact Kathy Hunter at (360) 664-1257 or at khunter@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Pratt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and a stylized "P".

David Pratt
Assistant Director, Transportation Safety