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**Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission**  
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Dear Washington State UTC Commissioners and Executive Secretary,

This filing is to formally add the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers (BLET) as a joint organization petitioning the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) for rulemaking regarding UTC Docket Number TR-230876.

The BLET supports immediate rulemaking by the UTC to require Railworkers have a minimum amount of territory specific training. Territorial knowledge is fundamental to the safe and effective operation of trains. Railworkers should not be allowed to work in the capacity of a safety sensitive supervisor without a minimum amount of territory specific training by a safety sensitive supervisor who is experienced on that specific territory. Ensuring that railroad safety sensitive position supervisors have the necessary experience and territory specific knowledge is necessary for the safety of the Public, environment, and workforce.

Sincerely,

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