

## MEMORANDUM

June 2, 2005

To: Tami Schultz, Financial Services  
TR-040383 File

From: Ahmer Nizam

Subject: Request for Advance Funding for Materials

On March 24, 2004, the Commission awarded a \$16,100 GCPF grant to the Tri-City and Olympia Railroad (TCOR) in Docket TR-040383. Use of the grant was limited to upgrading train detection circuitry at the Route 4 South grade crossing in Benton County, Washington.

On April 13, 2005, the Commission paid an advance sum of \$4,476 at the request of the TCOR for acquisition of materials for the project. On May 27, 2005, Scott Andrews of TCOR contacted Commission Staff with notification that the project could be completed by mid-June of 2005, however, more advance payment is needed to facilitate completion of the project by this date.

On May 31, 2005, TCOR filed a written request for further advance funding in the sum of \$6,240.22. The request cited reason for the advance payment as needing to pay for materials and "cash flow issues in the current quarter." The Grade Crossing Protective Fund Interpretive and Policy Statement in Docket No. TR-031384 allows for such advance payments for funded projects. Please proceed with the requested disbursement of \$6,240.22 from the GCPF. Once the disbursement has been made, the balance of the grant will be \$5,383.78.