

January 9, 2012

Steve Hefley
Puget Sound & Pacific Railroad
1710 Midway Court
Centralia, WA 98531

RE: TR-110165 - Grade Crossing Protective Fund Application

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 TR-110165 to the South Newell Street application.

On February 1, 2011, Commission staff notified PSAP that no GCPF funds were available and thus the application would not be considered until additional funding is offered.

On December 8, 2011, Commission staff requested an update on the status of the closure of the South Newell Street crossing. The update is necessary in order to consider PSAP's GCPF application because funding is currently available. The letter requested a response by December 16, 2011, to date, the Commission has not received a response, and therefore the Commission is closing this GCPF application. PSAP may reapply for GCPF funding for this crossing in the future.

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

Sincerely,

David Pratt
Assistant Director, Transportation Safety