

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of	)	DOCKET TR-121882
	)	
COLUMBIA & COWLITZ	)	ORDER 02
RAILWAY COMPANY,	)	
	)	ORDER RESCINDING ORDER 01
	)	GRANTING DISBURSEMENT FROM
Petitioner,	)	THE GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE
	)	FUND
	)	
Request of Columbia & Cowlitz	)	USDOT: 840544R
Railway Company to rescind the	)	
disbursement from the Grade Crossing	)	
Protective Fund	)	
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**BACKGROUND**

- 1     On November 28, 2012, the Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company (CLC RW or Petitioner) filed an application with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), requesting disbursement of \$20,000 from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) to pay for a project related to modifying active warning devices at a railroad-highway grade crossing. The petitioner planned to upgrade active warning devices at the Columbia Heights Road crossing in Longview. On December 6, 2012, the Commission approved the application conditioned upon CLC RW completing the work by June 30, 2013.
- 2     On April 30, 2013, CLC RW informed the Commission that due to a significant change in leadership and management personnel at the railroad, the contractor was not provided enough of an opportunity to purchase needed equipment and would not be able to complete the work by the deadline. CLC RW requested the Commission rescind its application for funding related to the Columbia Heights Road project.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 3     (1)    The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington having authority to approve and administer disbursements from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund. *RCW 81.53.271 and RCW 81.53.281.*
- 4     (2)    Commission staff agrees with CLC RW's request to rescind Order 01.

**ORDER**

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 5 (1) The request of the Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company to rescind Order 01,  
granting disbursement from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund for crossing  
improvements at Columbia Heights Road in Longview, Washington, is granted.
- 6 The Secretary of the Commission has delegated authority over this matter pursuant to  
Order 03 in Docket A-090485. The Secretary finds this Order to be consistent with the  
public interest.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 10, 2013.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



STEVEN V. KING, Acting Executive Director and Secretary