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NOTICE OF HEARING (Set for December 1-2, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.) and NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING (Set for December 1, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.)

Re: BNSF Railway Company v. Whatcom County, Docket TR-150189

On June 9, 2015, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Prehearing Conference Order; Notice of Hearing (Order 01) in the above-referenced matter.

Order 01 states that the Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing in this matter commencing on **Tuesday**, **December 1**, **2015**, **at 9:30 a.m.**, **and continuing as required on Wednesday**, **December 2**, **2015**, tentatively scheduled to be held at the Commission's headquarters in Olympia, Washington. Order 01 also states that the Commission will conduct a public comment hearing on **Tuesday**, **December 1**, **2015**, **at 6:00 p.m.** to afford members of the public an opportunity to present oral comments on the issues presented by this case.

Order 01 provides that if the parties agree and propose an alternate location in Whatcom County by October 16, 2015, the Commission will issue a notice setting forth the specific location for the evidentiary hearing and public comment hearing, and confirming the date and time.

On September 28, 2015, Whatcom County filed a Motion to Reset Hearing Location on behalf of the parties, requesting with the permission and concurrence of all parties that the evidentiary and public comment hearings be held at the Whatcom County Courthouse in Bellingham. Accordingly, the Commission grants the motion and establishes the parties'

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proposed location as the place for both the evidentiary hearing and the public comment hearing.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing in this matter commencing on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., and continuing as required on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at the Whatcom County Courthouse, Council Chambers, First Floor, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN That a public hearing in this matter will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Whatcom County Courthouse, Council Chambers, First Floor, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington. The Commission will accept written comments until the record in this proceeding is closed.

RAYNE PEARSON Administrative Law Judge

¹ Public comments will be accepted until 9:00 p.m. or until the last speaker has delivered his or her views on the matter, at which point the public comment hearing may be closed prior to 9:00 p.m.