

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of)	DOCKET TR-072010
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WASHINGTON STATE)	ORDER 02
DEPARTMENT OF)	
TRANSPORTATION,)	ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF
)	TIME TO COMPLETE UPGRADES
Petitioner.)	AND SUBMIT REQUEST FOR
)	REIMBURSEMENT
)	
UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD,)	
)	USDOT: 844397U
Respondent.)	UTC: 6A 224.00
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BACKGROUND

- 1 On October 10, 2007, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) filed a petition with the Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), requesting a disbursement of \$20,000 from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) to pay for a project to upgrade warning devices at a railroad-highway grade crossing. The crossing is identified as USDOT 844397U and is located at the intersection of State Route 124 (SR-124) and the Respondent’s tracks in Walla Walla County.

- 2 On November 7, 2007, the Commission issued an Order approving the request for disbursement from the GCPF for the proposal to upgrade to LED lights. The Order required WSDOT to complete the project and submit the associated request for reimbursement by June 30, 2008.

- 3 On August 21, 2008, WSDOT submitted a request for an extension of time until June 2009, to complete the project and submit the request for reimbursement. Staff recommends that the Commission extend the project completion date until June 30 2009, to provide additional time for the project to be completed within the GCPF project completion deadline.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 4 (1) After reviewing Washington State Department of Transportation’s request, and giving due consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission grants the extension of time to June 30, 2009.

O R D E R

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 5 The request of the Washington State Department of Transportation for an extension of time to complete the upgrades to LED lights at SR-124 and the Union Pacific Railroad's tracks is granted, subject to the following conditions:
- (1) Expenditure from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund must not exceed \$20,000.
 - (2) The work for which the Grade Crossing Protective Fund disbursement was approved must conform to the project description specified in the application.
 - (3) The Washington State Department of Transportation must sign and return the attached revised project agreement.
 - (4) Payment will be made upon presentation of claim for reimbursement and verification by Commission Staff that the work has been satisfactorily completed.
 - (5) The project must be completed and the associated request for reimbursement from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund must be filed with the Commission no later than June 30, 2009.

The Commissioners have delegated authority to the Executive Secretary to enter this Order pursuant to RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-904((1)(a)).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective August 22, 2008.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DAVID W. DANNER,
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