January 11, 2016

Rayne Pearson, Administrative Law Judge

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW

P.O. Box 47250

Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Eastern Washington Gateway Railroad*

 Docket TR-152341

Dear Judge Pearson:

The parties in the above docket have reached a settlement in principle. The parties request the time to memorialize that agreement. In view of that agreement, **the parties jointly request temporary suspension of the brief adjudicative proceeding set for January 19, 2016, at 9:30 a.m.** Commission staff proposes that the parties file a final settlement proposal with supporting narrative or, in the alternative, a status report no later than **Wednesday, January 20, 2016**.

Sincerely,

ANDREW J. O’CONNELL

Assistant Attorney General

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cc: Tom Klimczak