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Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. box 47250 Olympia, Washington 985094-7250

Re:

Docket No. TR-981102

Dear Commission Members and Staff:

At the direction of the City of Wenatchee Commission, I am writing to express our support for the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission considering new rules which require notification of any activities that may affect communities, blocking crossings and the maintenance and standards of crossing surfaces.

All of these matters are issues of great importance to the City of Wenatchee. We will appreciate the opportunity to participate in the process of reviewing the rules and developing new ones. As the Commission moves in this direction, we urge you to consider the communities in Eastern Washington when scheduling meetings and hearings.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Tomsic City Administator