

CASCADE AND COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD

The Honorable Administrative Law Judge
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Washington Utilities and
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Date: 10-24-05
RE: Docket No. TR-041076

Dear Judge Mace;

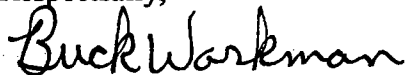
As you are aware, at 9:30 a.m., on April 6, 2005 an evidentiary hearing was scheduled to discuss the above mentioned docket. Prior to the 9:30 a.m. start a pre-hearing discussion ensued between representatives of Chelan County, Cascade and Columbia River Railroad, and a Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission employee. During this discussion, with the input of the WUTC employee, an option was perceived that would avert the "A" Street closure as petitioned. During the scheduled hearing it was decided to postpone the evidentiary hearing until a November, 2005 timeframe to allow the perceived option to come to fruition.

The above mentioned option was; the WUTC employee, Grade Crossing Signal Inspector Ed Harper, would attempt to locate "surplus" state owned equipment from other crossing closures within the state that would be suitable for use at the "A" Street location. This being accomplished would negate safety concerns that prompted the Cascade and Columbia River Railroad to petition for closure and allow the citizens of Chelan Falls, WA to retain an alternate route for emergency vehicles should the Chestnut Street access be blocked for any reason.

To date Mr. Harper has located approximately 75% of the need equipment and recent conversation with him indicates the remainder should be acquired in the coming months. I am confident this will happen. That being said, I respectfully request the withdrawal of Docket No. TR-041076.

Should you require more information or wish to speak with me in regards to the above, I can be reached at the contact information listed at the bottom of this page or my e-mail address (buck.workman@railamerica.com).

Respectfully,



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