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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW  
PO Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250  
Attn: Mr. Michael E. Rowswell

Dear Mr. Rowswell:

Subject: Train Speed Increase

We are planning to raise the train speeds on our Ayer Subdivision in the State of Washington. The only major community we will be raising the speeds through is in the City of Cheney. I have notified the City of our intentions.

Since the train speed will increase from 35mph to 60mph, the City has concerns regarding a passive protected crossing within their City limits. I request the WUTC the Railroad and City review any issues regarding this crossing or other crossings within the City.

Please make contact with City and myself as soon as possible for this onsite review. We wish to raise the speed through this area in mid-October, so a quick response would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

John W. Trumbull  
Manager Industry and Public Projects

Cc: City of Cheney

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of fixing rail- )  
road speed limits in the city )  
of Cheney, Washington. )  
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CAUSE NO. T-8834

ORDER

Pursuant to Chapter 228, Laws of 1943, the Commission caused an investigation and survey to be made in the city of Cheney for the purpose of establishing maximum speed limits of railroad trains operating within the corporate limits of such city.

From such investigation the Commission finds that a maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour will not create any unreasonably dangerous condition; that said speed limit is commensurate with the hazards presented and with the practical operation of trains; that the establishing of such speed limit will be in the public interest and assist in the orderly handling of traffic.

The Commission further finds that such a maximum speed should be established in the city of Cheney to become effective as of the date of this order.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED That the maximum speed of all railroad trains operating within the corporate limits of the city of Cheney, Washington shall be 35 miles per hour.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective this 29th day of July, 1952.

WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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