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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Columbia & Cowlitz Railroad Co.)	
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)	DOCKET NO. TR- 060150
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Petitioner)	PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF
)	TRAIN ACTIVATED WARNING
)	DEVICES
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City of Longview, Cowlitz County)	
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)	WUTC No. 11A1.80
Respondent)	DOT No. 840539U
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Petitioner requests the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to enter an order consenting to the modification of train activated warning devices.

1. Identifying information for the crossing:

- Existing highway, street road, county: 30th Ave, Longview, Cowlitz County
- Existing railway: Columbia & Cowlitz Railroad Company
- WUTC Crossing Number: 11A1.80
- DOT Number: 840539U

2. Description of current signals and/or gates at the crossing: Two cantilever mounted 12 inch flashing lights with gates and one shoulder mounted flashing lights including "No Right Hand Turn" active light head.

3. Type of current crossing circuitry: Motion Sensor

4. Project description and justification:

(a) Proposed changes: Removal of the shoulder mounted flashing lights with No Right Hand Turn light head located in the NE quadrant of the crossing.

(b) Justification for changes: The original signal installation at 30th Ave consisted of two cantilever mounted flashing lights located in the NW and SE quadrants, and a shoulder mounted flashing light with a No Right Hand Turn light head in the NE quadrant. With the absence of gate arms, the shoulder mount signal was supplemental for motorist turning right onto 30th Ave off of Olympia Way. This side road is just NW of, and parallel to the track. The active warning devices have since been upgraded with the addition of gate arms in both the NW and SE quadrants making the shoulder mount signal redundant. In addition, a public works access road is needed for new development in the area and the road entrance would be where the shoulder mount signal is located. The railroad will relocate the No Right Hand Turn light head to the gate mechanism mast in the NW quadrant for vehicles turning onto 30th Ave off of Olympia Way. The flashing light unit from the shoulder mount signal will be relocated to the NW cantilever signal mast and aligned toward the new access road providing active warning for exiting vehicles.

(c) Affects of proposed changes on warning devices and warning times for drivers: Active warning devices changes will still provide adequate warning to motorist. Warning times will not change.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at Longview, Washington this 19th day of January, 2006.

Columbia & Cowlitz Railroad Company

Petitioner
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WAIVER OF HEARING BY RESPONDENT

The respondent has investigated the conditions existing at and in the vicinity of the grade crossing described herein and is satisfied that such conditions are substantially as described in the petition. Respondent consents to the modification of the signal system circuitry as described in the petition. Hearing in this proceeding is hereby waived.

Dated at Longview, Washington, on the 19th day of January, 2006.

City of Longview
Respondent

By Jeff Cameron

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