

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Pend Oreille Valley Railroad

Petitioner,

vs.
UTC

Respondent

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) DOCKET NO. TR- 091661

)
) PETITION TO MODIFY HIGHWAY-
) RAIL GRADE CROSSING ACTIVE
) WARNING DEVICES AND
) DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS
) FROM THE GRADE CROSSING
) PROTECTIVE FUND

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) USDOT CROSSING #399603C

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The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approving the modification of highway-rail grade crossing warning signals and disbursing funds from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund.

Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information

<p>_____ Petitioner Pend Oreille Valley Railroad (POVA)</p>
<p>_____ Street Address 1981 Black Rd</p>
<p>_____ City, State and Zip Code Usk, WA 99180</p>
<p>_____ Mailing Address, if different than the street address</p>
<p>_____ Contact Person Name Kelly Driver</p>
<p>_____ Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address 509-445-1090 kellyd@povarr.com</p>

Section 4 – Current Highway Traffic Information

1. Name of highway SR-20

2. Road authority WSDOT

3. Average annual daily traffic (AADT) 950

4. Number of lanes 2

5. Roadway speed 55

6. Is the crossing part of an established truck route? Yes X No _____

7. If so, trucks are what percent of total daily traffic? 13%

8. Is the crossing part of an established school bus route? Yes X No _____

9. If so, how many school buses travel over the crossing each day? 4

10. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 7, above, expected within ten years:
Unknown

Section 5 – Current Crossing Information

1. Railroad company POVA

2. Type of railroad at crossing Common Carrier Logging Industrial
 Passenger Excursion

3. Type of tracks at crossing Main Line Siding or Spur

4. Number of tracks at crossing 1

5. Average daily train traffic, freight 2

Authorized freight train speed 20 Operated freight train speed 20

6. Average daily train traffic, passenger 0

Authorized passenger train speed Operated passenger train speed

7. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 4, above, expected within ten years:

Unknown

8. What is the available sight distance from the stop bar (or 25 feet from the tracks if no stop bar) on both approaches to the crossing?

NW 50 NE 250 SW 650 SE 20

9. If the sight distance is less than 400 feet, describe the structures, roadway or track curvature, visual obstacles or other characteristics that limit sight distance.

Trees & Vegetation

Section 6 – Current Warning Devices

1. Provide a complete description of the warning devices currently located at the crossing, including signs, gates, lights, train detection circuitry and any other warning devices.

Cantilever mounted flashing lights w/crossbucks. AC/DC Style C train detection.

Section 7 – Description of Proposed Changes

1. Describe in detail the number and type of proposed automatic signals, gates or other warning devices, including proposed circuitry. Include the funding source for the proposed modification.

Upgrade 16 flashing light heads to LED type. Replace system batteries (11) and chargers (2).

Replace track driver relay (1). Replace RR crossbucks (2).

GCPF

Section 8 – Illustration of Proposed Warning Devices

Attach a detailed diagram, drawing, map or other illustration showing the proposed modification.

Section 9 – Project Cost Information

1. Breakdown of estimated total cost.

5 ea - ELM 240/250 AH batteries	\$1,250.00
6 ea – ELM 340/363 AH batteries	1,830.00
2 ea – ERBC 12/20 chargers	1,030.00
16 ea – 12” LED light heads	5,216.00
2 ea – RR crossing sign	150.00
1 ea – power off indicator light	116.40
1 ea – plug in relay	150.00
Freight	509.00
Tax	820.11
Total	\$11,071.51
2. Names of the parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.
POVA - installation cost
3. Provide the amount the applicant is requesting from the GCPF grant program. \$11,071.51

Section 10 – Project Completion Date

Project completion date: June 30, 2010

Section 11 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing

The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to modify highway-rail grade crossing warning signals at the following crossing.

USDOT Crossing No. _____ UTC Crossing No. _____

We have investigated the conditions at the crossing. We are satisfied the conditions are the same as described by the Petitioner in this docket. We agree the warning signals should be modified and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at _____, Washington, on the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Printed name of Respondent

Signature of Respondent's Representative

Title

Phone number and e-mail address

Mailing address