

July 2, 2002

Lawrence J. Berg, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW  
Olympia, WA 98504

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Klickitat County and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company*, Docket No. TR-980897

Dear Judge Berg:

Attached are Commission Staff and Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) responses to the June 18, 2002, Commission bench requests related to Docket No. TR-980897. Responses by Commission Staff and the BNSF are limited to Bench Request No. 1, because all other requests were determined to be most appropriately answered by Klickitat County. Klickitat County has provided its responses under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

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