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April 21, 2004

John Trumbull, Manager – Industry and Public Projects
Union Pacific Railroad Company
5424 SE McLoughlin Blvd.
Portland, OR 97202

Subject: Petition to establish new highway-rail grade crossing

Dear Mr. Trumbull:

On April 9, 2004, the City of Kennewick filed a petition (attached) with the Commission, seeking authority to establish a new highway-rail grade crossing at the intersection of the proposed Center Parkway and the tracks of the Union Pacific Railroad, in Kennewick, Washington. The petition is docketed under TR-040664.

I request that you review the petition and reply with your company's position on the proposal. Execution of the respondent waiver of hearing attached to the petition would serve as your consent for the Commission to enter an order without further notice or hearing. If you choose not to execute the waiver, please reply with either a request for an administrative hearing per RCW 81.53.060, or suggestions on other courses of action that Union Pacific may want to take (e.g. further discussions between the parties prior to deciding whether to pursue a hearing).

If you have any questions related to this matter, please contact me at (360) 664-1345.

Sincerely,

Ahmer Nizam, Regulatory Analyst

cc: TR-040664 File
Steve Plummer, City of Kennewick

