

STATE OF WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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February 2, 2010

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Dale King, Superintendent Tacoma Rail 2601 SR 509 North Frontage Road Tacoma, WA 98421

RE: TR-100130 - Petition from the Washington State Department of Transportation to Modify the 41st Division Drive Highway-Rail Grade Crossing

Dear Ms. Mitchell, Mr. Perrenot, Mr. Mickel, and Mr. King:

On January 19, 2010, the Washington State Department of Transportation filed a petition with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), seeking approval to modify an at-grade railroad crossing at 41st Division Drive near Fort Lewis, Washington. The petition also seeks to interconnect the railroad warning devices with the nearby traffic light The Commission assigned Docket No. TR-100130 to this petition.

Please review the attached petition and respond by February 22, 2010. Your response options include:

• Support the petition – Complete the Respondent's Waiver of Hearing form, which serves as your consent for the Commission to issue an order without further notice or hearing.

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• Do not support the petition – Reply with your position and include whether you feel a hearing is necessary to resolve the issues or suggest other courses of action, such as further discussion prior to going to hearing.

If you do not respond within 20 days of the date of this letter, we will assume you do not support the petition and will set the matter for hearing. You will be required to attend the hearing and respond to the Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hunter at (360) 664-1257 or khunter@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

David Pratt

Assistant Director, Transportation Safety

Enclosure

cc: Kevin Jeffers, WSDOT (without attachment)

Bill Velez, United States Army (without attachment)