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June 30, 2015

**NOTICE OF POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF WORKSHOP
(Currently Scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.)**

Re: Rulemaking to Consider Adoption of Rules Relating to Rail Safety,
Docket TR-151079

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On May 20, 2015, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider rules within WAC 480-62 to update railroad annual reporting requirements on financial responsibility and safety standards for private crossings and to provide opportunities for first-class cities to opt in to the Commission crossing safety program.

On May 22, 2015, the Commission issued a notice setting a stakeholder workshop in this matter for Wednesday, July 8, 2015, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the Commission's office in Olympia, Washington.

To date, the state Legislature has not yet passed a budget for the upcoming biennium, which begins July 1, 2015. If the Legislature does not pass a budget before that date, state government will shut down, and the Commission will close, effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2015, until the Legislature approves and the Governor signs a 2015-2017 biennial budget. The Commission will post notices on its website, www.utc.wa.gov, if the agency must close and when it has resumed operations.

If the Legislature has not passed a budget by July 8, 2015, the Commission will be closed and unable to conduct the scheduled workshop in this docket, and that workshop will be cancelled without further notice. The Commission encourages interested persons to check the Commission's website prior to the July 8, 2015, workshop for current information on the Commission's status of operations.

If you have questions regarding this rulemaking notice, you may contact staff lead, Jason Lewis, at (360) 664-1206, or by email at jlewis@utc.wa.gov.

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