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STATE OF WASH.
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COMMISSIONRe: Proposed Rules Relating to Point Protection (Docket No. TR-040151):
Request for Change in Date of Adoption Hearing

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The WUTC hearing on the adoption of rules relating to point protection was originally scheduled for September 29, 2004. We subsequently received a notice that the hearing date had been changed to October 13, 2004.

The October 13 date is unworkable for me and for others who would like to appear at the hearing on Union Pacific's behalf. It is very important to UP that it have the opportunity to speak to the Commissioners at the adoption hearing. I have spoken with the attorneys and other representatives of both UP and BNSF about their availability at the Commissioners' next subsequent open meeting dates. Most would be able to attend if it were rescheduled to October 27. All would be available to attend the adoption hearing if it were rescheduled to November 10.

I respectfully request that the adoption hearing on this matter be rescheduled to either October 27 or November 10, 2004. BNSF has informed me it supports this request. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,



Carolyn L. Larson

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