



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2012)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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Agency: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 15-11-092; or
 Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or
 Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).

- Original Notice
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 Continuance of WSR _____

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject)

This rulemaking proposes amending rules in WAC 480-62, Railroad Companies – Operations. Docket TR-151079

Hearing location(s):

Commission’s Hearing Room 206
Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Date: January 6, 2016 Time: 1:30 p.m.

Submit written comments to:

Name: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Address: 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

e-mail records@utc.wa.gov. Please include “Docket TR-151079” in your comments

fax (360) 586-1150 by (date) December 7, 2015

Assistance for persons with disabilities: Contact

Debbie Aguilar by December 23, 2015

TTY (360) 586-8203 or (360) 664-1132

Date of intended adoption: January 6, 2016

(Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) regulates public safety issues of railroads operating with Washington. Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1449, Chapter 274, Laws of 2015, adopts financial responsibility reporting requirements that railroads hauling crude oil must include in the annual reports they submit to the Commission. This proposal updates railroad annual reporting requirements on financial responsibility and safety standards for private crossings and provides opportunities for first-class cities to opt-in the commission crossing safety program.

Reasons supporting proposal: See above.

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 80.01.040, RCW 81.04.160, RCW 81.24.010, RCW 81.44, RCW 81.53.010, and RCW 81.53.240

Statute being implemented: N/A

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
 Federal Court Decision? Yes No
 State Court Decision? Yes No
 If yes, CITATION:

DATE
November 4, 2015

NAME (type or print)
Steven V. King

SIGNATURE

TITLE
Executive Director and Secretary

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DATE: November 04, 2015

TIME: 10:13 AM

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Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

None

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

- Private
- Public
- Governmental

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Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW or has a school district fiscal impact statement been prepared under section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 2012?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement or school district fiscal impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone () _____

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e-mail _____

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

The proposed rules will not result in or impose more than minor costs. Because there will not be more than minor increases in costs resulting from the proposed rule changes, a SBEIS is not required under RCW 19.85.030(1).

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

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No: Please explain:

The Commission is not an agency to which RCW 34.05.328 applies. The proposed rules are not significant legislative rules of the sort referenced in RCW 34.05.328(5).