



RESOLUTION NO. 39579

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Public Utilities, Belt Line Division
2 (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"); approving adjustments to charges related to freight
3 switching, and authorizing the reissuance of Tacoma Municipal Belt Line
4 Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807.

5 WHEREAS the customers of the Department of Public Utilities, Beltline
6 Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"), consist of local industries and other railroads, and

7 WHEREAS the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway ("TMBL") 8807 series
8 tariff defines line haul and miscellaneous switching charges allocated to the
9 movement of railcars, and

10 WHEREAS line haul rates are typically charged to the BNSF Railway
11 Company or Union Pacific Railroad Company, unless the industry served or
12 shipper elects to pay the fee themselves, and

13 WHEREAS the rates associated with Tacoma Rail's commercial and
14 intermodal line haul traffic in the Freight Tariff TMBL 8807 series were last updated
15 in 2012, and miscellaneous charges were last updated in 2007, and

16 WHEREAS Tacoma Rail is recommending adjustments to charges related
17 to freight switching, and is requesting authorization to reissue its Freight Tariff
18 TMBL 8807 to incorporate such adjustments, and

19 WHEREAS the proposed Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-G includes a rate
20 increase of \$5.00 for commercial line hauls, \$3.00 for intermodal line hauls, and
21 3 percent on all miscellaneous charges, and

22 WHEREAS Section 4.11 of the Tacoma City Charter requires that all
23 matters related to the fixing of rates and charges for utility services shall be
24 initiated by the Board and approved by the City Council, and
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WHEREAS, by adoption of Public Utility Board Resolution No. U-10887 on October 26, 2016, the proposed changes were approved, pending confirmation from the City Council; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the request of the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division (d.b.a. "Tacoma Rail"), to adjust charges related to freight switching, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-F is hereby reissued as the Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway Freight Tariff TMBL 8807-G, to become effective January 1, 2017, said document to be substantially in the form of the document on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney

Requested by Public Utility Board
Resolution No. U-10887