



TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES
3628 South 35th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98409-3192

November 3, 2017

To the Chair and members of the Public Utility Board and
Mayor and members of the City Council:

SUBJECT: WSDOT Highway-Railroad Grade Crossing Agreement Number RRB-1185

Request:

Tacoma Rail requests approval to enter into a highway-railroad grade crossing agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$2,500,000.00, attached as Exhibit B. The Agreement will be used to fund the installation of two new railroad grade crossing signal systems.

Background:

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has identified two existing passive Highway-Railroad at Grade Crossings on the Marine View Drive segment of SR-509 numbered USDOT #917-955P and USDOT #852-620R as locations where it desires that safety improvements be constructed. Specifically, the installation of grade crossing signal system(s) to include flashing LED lights intended to alert motorists in Northbound and Southbound lanes when railroad equipment is occupying the highway-railroad grade crossing.

Pursuant to 23 USC, Section 130, the WSDOT Agreement numbered RRB-1185 provides for reimbursement of Tacoma Rail's direct and associated project costs relating to the design, engineering, and construction of safety improvements at the two grade crossing locations, up to an amount not to exceed Two-Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00).

APPROVED:

William A. Gaines
Director of Utilities, CEO

