

TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Tacoma, Washington 98409-3192

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Chair Jones and Members of the Public Utility Board; and Mayor Woodards and Members of City Council:

SUBJECT: Reissue Tacoma Rail's Switching Tariff

Request:

Tacoma Rail requests authorization to reissue the TMBL 8807 series freight switching tariff.

Background:

Tacoma Rail's customers consist of local industries and other railroads. The switching tariffs define the line haul and miscellaneous switching charges allocated to the movement of railcars. Tacoma Rail's TMBL tariff rates associated with unit train and Tacoma interchanged line haul traffic were last updated in 2018 and 2017.

Line haul rates are charged to the BNSF or Union Pacific railroads unless the industry served or shipper elects to pay the fees themselves. The switching tariff rate adjustments include the following:

- Intermodal increases from \$50 to \$51 per platform
- Unit train single spot increases from \$220 to \$224
- Unit train multiple spot increases from \$295 to \$300
- Commercial increases from \$300 and \$350 to \$306 and \$356

APPROVED:

Jackie Flowers

Director of Utilities





