In the Matter of the Application of

WASHINGTON RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

for an order establishing a speed limit for trains operating through the Town of Kent, Washington.

ORDER

The Washington Railroad Association, an association of the common carrier railroads operating in the State of Washington, having been so authorized by said railroads, has requested that the Department of Public Service, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 288, Laws of 1942, establish a maximum speed limit for trains within the corporate limits of Kent, Washington, of 40 miles per hour, said speed limit to be observed by all common carrier railroads.

Pursuant to said request the department assigned its crossing engineer to make an investigation and survey of the practicability of establishing the requested maximum speed limit. His report indicates that the requested maximum speed limit will not create any unreasonably dangerous condition; that said speed limit is commensurate with the hazards presented and the practical operation of trains; that the establishment of such speed limit will be in the public interest and assist in speed handling of traffic.

In line with the department’s policy of cooperating with the different cities and towns, on June 30, 1944 the Mayor of the Town of Kent was notified of the request for the establishment of the maximum speed set out herein. Over thirty days have elapsed since said notification was given the Mayor of Kent and the department not having received any objections to the speed limit set out herein, either from the Mayor or any other city or town official of the Town of Kent assures that there are no objections to the proposed speed limit of 40 miles per hour.

WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the maximum speed of railway trains of all common carrier railroads operating within the corporate limits of the Town of Kent, Washington, shall be 40 miles per hour.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 9, 1944.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF WASHINGTON

CHARLES F. SCHAEFER
Director

E. W. ANDERSON
Supervisor of Transportation

W. A. GIVENS
Supervisor of Public Utilities
Certificate

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss.
COUNTY OF THURSTON. )

I hereby certify that the foregoing and attached document is a full, true and correct copy of original Order dated October 9, 1944, in Cause No. W.I-7819, in the Matter of the Application of Washington Railroad Association for an order establishing a speed limit for trains operating through the Town of Kent, Washington.

now on file in the office of the Department of Public Service of Washington at Olympia.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Department of Public Service of Washington, this 10th day of October, 1944.

S. F. No. 3271-5-41—1M. 23973.

Secretary of the Department of Public Service of Washington.