ATTACHMENT NO. 5

National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Approved by NCUTCD Council - June 24, 2005

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee

DATE OF ACTION: June 24, 2005, approved by NCUTCD

TOPIC: LRT Approaching-Activated Blank-Out Sign.

ORIGIN OF REQUEST: NCUTCD Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee

AFFECTED PORTIONS OF MUTCD: Section 10C.17

DISCUSSION: The LRT Approaching-Activated Blank-Out sign (W10-7) is used for turning movements that cross the tracks. Common practice in many jurisdictions has been to also use the sign for perpendicular traffic crossing the tracks. A typical use of the sign is to supplement traffic signal indications that are preempted by trains. The Technical Subcommittee recommends the following revision to Section 10C.17 of the MUTCD

Section 10C.17 Light Rail Transit Approaching-Activated Blank-Out Warning Sign (W10-7)

Support:

The Light Rail Transit Approaching-Activated Blank-Out (W10-7) warning sign (see Figure 10C-3) supplements the traffic control devices to warn road users turning across crossing the tracks of an approaching parallel light rail transit vehicle.

Option:

A Light Rail Transit Approaching-Activated Blank-Out warning sign may be used at signalized intersections near grade crossings or at crossings controlled by STOP signs or automatic gates.