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Ms. Carole J. Washburn
WUTC Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Docket No.: TS-060133
Application No.: B-79421
Applicant: Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc. d/b/a Victoria San Juan Cruises
to transfer all rights under Certificate B-120 in the name of San
Juan Island Shuttle Express, Inc.
Request for Expedited Scheduling of Prehearing Conference

Dear Ms. Washburn:

I am now in receipt of a protest from Sean McNamara, applicant in **Docket No. TS-060061, Application No. B-79418.**

In that commercial passenger-only ferry service is predominantly a seasonal business in this State, we would ask that a prehearing conference be scheduled shortly by the Commission to address the standing of applicant Sean McNamara to protest a transfer of certificate in the above application. As counsel for applicant Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc., I will be moving to strike the protest of Mr. McNamara and would intend to submit written briefing and make oral argument in any prehearing conference. I would ask that a prehearing conference be scheduled at the earliest practicable time now that the 30-day protest period has expired, so that hearing on the application can hopefully be concluded by the first part of May, so as not to adversely impact service for the upcoming season. I am unavailable in the April 12 – 21 time period, but otherwise could accommodate scheduling on fairly short notice.

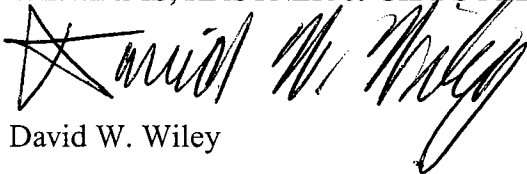
While I realize this is subject to scheduling of staff, both at the Commission and in the Office of Administrative Hearings, I wanted to contact you as soon as the protest period ran in this matter

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to alert you to the initial issue and intended filing of the motion to strike. Please let me know if you have further questions or concerns regarding this request, and thank you for your attention to the above.

Yours truly,

WILLIAMS, KASTNER & GIBBS PLLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Wiley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "D".

David W. Wiley

DWW:svb

cc: Sean McNamara
Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc.
Island Mariner, Inc.
Senior Attorney General Sally Johnston