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Commissioners  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
Olympia, Washington

I've known and used the Whidbey SeaTac Shuttle since it's beginning and we on Whidbey Island are very grateful that they can continue to serve the island with safe and convenient travel to the Airport. This has proved a reliable and cost effective way to travel to SeaTac airport and in fact, this takes many cars off the highway, saves individuals the cost of fuel and parking fees that continue to escalate beyond fair market values. Many group adventures also occur with the shuttle business....like the local yacht club going to the boat show (spending money in

Seattle including sales taxes). Groups that take the shuttle to group voyages aboard the Cruise lines that service Alaska. Also more money into the Port of Seattle + taxes. I hope you are starting to understand the ripple effect of encouraging business not discouraging it.

It is even "Green" by Seattle standards and government should encouraged this public service business to survive in a horrid market place. The Commissioners should not penalize SeaTac Shuttle by burdensome restriction and by failing to allow them a fair addition to fairs commensurate with the cost of oil and fuel, hence the cost of doing business. This business has not raised its fares in six years. Is that not amazing in this economic recession?

Certainly you cannot consider this business immune from the true market place changes unlike most governmental agencies. Additionally there is an Executive Order (EO 10-06) which prohibits the creation of any new rules that would adversely affect small business.

So, I would encourage you to reconsider, not imposing such limitations on Whidbey SeaTac shuttle and any other shuttle in the State of WA. If you do....more business will close and people will move their business out of State to a more supportive political environment.

Sincerely,

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