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Ms. Carol Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: DOCKET NO. TS-050443
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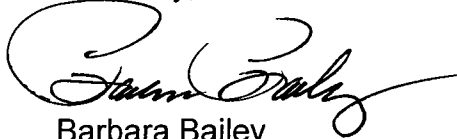
Dear Ms. Washburn:

I fully support the concept and application for Passenger Only Ferry Service for Island County.

The current travel time between the county seat, Coupeville, and most of Camano Island is untenable and getting worse. Not only does this take an enormous amount of time for those citizens doing business with their county government, but also consumes fiscal resources for county employees required to transit between Whidbey Island and Camano Island. The addition of a passenger only ferry could represent a substantial savings in both time and money from a business perspective, and would enhance the flow of tourism in and around Island County.

This is a win-win situation for the State and Island County. I highly recommend the favorable consideration of this application.

Sincerely,



Barbara Bailey
State Representative
District 10



Chris Strow
State Representative
District 10