

MEMORANDUM

May 19, 2006

TO: Gene Eckhardt, Regulatory Services Assistant Director,
Transportation and Water Section

FROM: Lori D. Kanz, Regulatory Analyst *LAK*

SUBJECT: Household Goods Carrier Permit
Application No. P-79397 Docket No. TV-051245

Michelle Schwend
d/b/a Island Time Freight
590 Guard Street
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

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Discussion

On August 16, 2005, Island Time Freight filed Application No. P-79397, requesting permanent household goods authority.

The Commission granted the company temporary authority subject to conditions pending a decision on its application for permanent authority. The company has operated under Household Goods Carrier Permit No. HG-61974 since August 24, 2005.

Application No. P-79397 appeared on the Commission's August 29, 2005, application docket subject to comment for no less than 180 days while the company conducted operations under its temporary authority. No comments were received.

Under the provisions of WAC 480-15-330 the Commission will grant or deny an application for permanent authority after conducting a complete review of the application filing, supporting statements, reports, or other information necessary to determine fitness, public interest, and current or future public convenience and necessity.

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Ms. Michelle Schwend, owner of Island Time Freight, has worked in the household goods moving industry since 2000. She has not been convicted of a Class A or B felony or previously been denied authority based on fitness.

Compliance staff worked with the company providing technical assistance during its temporary operations. Investigator Alan Dickson completed a Safety Compliance Review and a Household Goods Technical Assistance and Records Review Checklist. Investigator Dickson found the company in general compliance and on March 7, 2006, he recommended the applicant be considered for permanent authority.

Island Time Freight holds a valid UBI number with tax registration, industrial insurance, and unemployment insurance accounts.

During the period of Investigator Dickson's review the applicant performed 24 household goods moves. The Commission received no customer complaints regarding this company's service.

Recommendation

P-79397 is an uncontested application and therefore no hearing is required. There are no outstanding issues that suggest staff should ask the Commission to set the application for hearing.

I recommend that Licensing Services Staff prepare an order to grant Application No. P-79397 without hearing and reissue Permit No. HG-61974 to Michelle Schwend d/b/a Island Time Freight as unrestricted permanent authority to operate as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington.

Notes to staff:

No 2005 Annual Report on record. Please check status of 2005 Annual Report before issuing permanent authority.

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