## UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF RESPONSE TO BENCH REQUEST

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## **BENCH REQUEST NO. 3:**

On March 1, 2019, the Commission received an application to transfer authority to operate passenger, freight and ferry service on Lake Chelan under Certificate BC000034 from Lake Chelan Recreation, Inc., d/b/a Lake Chelan Boat Company, to Discover Lake Chelan LLC, Docket TS-190146.

Please explain on behalf of each party what, if any, impact the above-referenced application to transfer authority has on this proceeding. If there is an impact, how should it be considered by the Commission in this proceeding?

## **RESPONSE:**

Staff does not see the application to transfer authority as impacting this proceeding. Lake Chelan Boat Company withdrew its protest to Backcountry Travels LLC's application and also withdrew as a party from this proceeding. The transfer of application does not affect its decision to do so because Discover Lake Chelan LLC will take the certificate subject to Lake Chelan Boat Company's decision to withdraw the exercise of its statutory rights.