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Mr. David Danner Executive Director Policy and Legislative Issues Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Attention: Records Center P.O. Box 47250 1300 So. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W. Olympia, WA 98054-7250

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Dear Mr. Danner:

San Juan Express Inc. requests an extension of time for a Hearing regarding Docket TS – 090592 which has been scheduled for Tuesday, 09 June 2009. The basis for our request is as follows:

- Our attorney, David Wiley, is out of the country until Monday, 01 June 2009. He is on a vacation which had been scheduled six (6) months ago. We have had no opportunity to review and prepare for a Hearing.
- 2. Our Controller, Darci Haustveit, will be on a long-scheduled trip out of the country and that in light of the increasing focus on financial viability issues and historic cost of service analyses, her testimony is very material to the applicant's case/petition. _
- 3. Moreover, I represent the Passenger Vessel Association at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Airport and Seaport Inspections User Fee Advisory Committee and have done so for more than seven (7) years. My presence is critical due to the importance of the issues on the agenda involving our sector and I will be called upon to discuss the impact to the international ferry community. I received notice this morning via the Federal Register (Volume 75, No.99 / Tuesday, 26 May 2009) advising us of the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 10 June 2009

I believe that we have just cause for seeking this timely request for an extension of time until some time after 23 June. I have spoken to David Wiley in the U.K. today to confirm the basis for this request. I apologize for any administrative or scheduling inconvenience this might cause the Commissioners. However, the D.C. scheduling conflicts were outside of my control and it was not foreseeable or for that matter, avoidable. I believe that our request is consistent with the intent of WAC 480-07-385 – Motion for continuance, postponement, or extension of time.

We would appreciate any consideration in rescheduling the Hearing until after Tuesday, 23 June 2009 in order to allow ample time for the proceedings. Thank you in advance for a favorable consideration for this request.

Yours truly,

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