

**Exh. AMCL-13
Docket TP-190976
Witness: Ann M. C. LaRue**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND PILOTS,

Respondent.

DOCKET TP-190976

**EXHIBIT TO
TESTIMONY OF**

Ann M. C. LaRue, CPA

**STAFF OF
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

PSP's Response to UTC Staff Data Request No. 50

May 27, 2020

PUGET SOUND PILOTS' RESPONSES TO UTC STAFF DATA REQUESTS 27-53

DATE PREPARED: February 21, 2020	WITNESS: Linda Styrk
DOCKET: TP-190976	RESPONDER: Puget Sound Pilots
REQUESTER: UTC Staff	

UTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 50:

Transportation Expense - Account 53600

Please provide the transportation expense for the last 5 years.

RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST NO. 50:

Puget Sound Pilots			
Transportation Expense			
Year Ended	Seattle	Port Angeles	Total
12/31/2015	19,846.86	229,830.00	249,676.86
12/31/2016	15,046.80	220,376.00	235,422.80
12/31/2017	21,764.96	242,870.00	264,634.96
12/31/2018	20,001.99	252,161.00	272,162.99

In 2019, PSP incurred a total of \$507,806.45 in transportation expenses. As a result of the pilot transportation study that was conducted over three months of 2019, PSP underwent a significant change in how transportation expenses were treated. Historically, Transportation Expense Charges ("TEC") that are included in the current BPC tariff have been paid to the pilot who performed the vessel assignment to reimburse that pilot's individual transportation expense. Thus, individual pilot's transportation expense for TEC assignments was not historically included in PSP's expense. However, PSP historically did incur expense for repositioning pilots between the Port Angeles Pilot Station and assignments. During the transportation trial, all TEC revenue was paid to PSP rather than to pilots, and all transportation expense was incurred or reimbursed by PSP. Thus, the totals for 2019 reflect a change in practices rendering the comparison to prior years an apples-to-oranges scenario.