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Docket: TC-131154

Company Name: Wickkiser International Companies, Inc. C-933

dba Airporter Shuttle

Staff: Mike Young, Regulatory Analyst

Roger Kouchi, Consumer Protection Staff

Recommendation

Issue a Complaint and Order Suspending the Tariff Revisions filed by Wickkiser International Companies, Inc., dba Airporter Shuttle on June 17, 2013.

Discussion

On June 17, 2013, Wickkiser International Companies, Inc., dba Airporter Shuttle (Wickkiser or company) filed tariff revisions with the Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) that would generate approximately \$500,000 (9.0 percent) additional annual revenue. The company provides passenger transportation to and from Sea-Tac Airport from points in Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties. The request is prompted by increases in labor, insurance costs and other operating expenses.

The company has not yet responded to staff's data requests and, therefore, the company has not yet demonstrated it requires additional revenue.

Rate Comparison

Sample One-Way Fares To Sea-Tac from:	Current Fare	Proposed Fare	Increase	Percent Increase
Ferndale	\$37.00	\$42.00	\$5.00	13.6%
Bellingham	\$34.00	\$37.00	\$3.00	8.9%
Burlington	\$30.00	\$33.00	\$3.00	10%
Marysville	\$21.00	\$26.00	\$5.00	23.8%

Customer Comments

On June 17, 2013, the company notified its customers of a proposed rate increase. To date, no comments regarding the proposed rate increase have been received.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the commission issue a Complaint and Order Suspending the Tariff Revisions filed by Wickkiser International Companies, Inc., dba Airporter Shuttle on June 17, 2013.