

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In re Joint Application to transfer a portion of rights under certificate of public convenience and necessity from:

SHUTTLE EXPRESS, INC., d/b/a SHUTTLE EXPRESS; GO SHUTTLE EXPRESS; LIMOS BY SHUTTLE EXPRESS; DOWNTOWN AIRPORTER, C000975

to:

WICKKISER INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES INC., d/b/a AIRPORTER SHUTTLE, C000933

and:

In re Application of

WICKKISER INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES INC., d/b/a AIRPORTER SHUTTLE,

for extension of service under passenger transportation company certificate C000933.

DOCKET TC-200824

ORDER 01

GRANTING APPLICATION;  
AMENDING CERTIFICATE  
C0975; AND AMENDING  
CERTIFICATE C000933

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On September 23, 2020, Shuttle Express, Inc., d/b/a Shuttle Express; Go Shuttle Express; Limos by Shuttle Express; Downtown Airporter (Shuttle Express), and Wickkiser International Companies Inc., d/b/a Airporter Shuttle (Wickkiser), filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a joint application for authority to transfer the following portion of rights under certificate of public convenience and necessity C000975 to certificate C000933:

PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN: Seattle Tacoma International Airport, downtown Seattle, and Paine Field on the one hand, and points within the Cities of Everett and Lynnwood on the other hand.

2 In the same application, Wickkiser requested in accordance with RCW 81.68 an  
extension of service under passenger transportation company C000933 to provide the  
following service:

PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE BETWEEN: Bellingham  
International Airport, Seattle Tacoma International Airport and Paine  
Field with service to intermediate points via I-5 and off route points within  
5 miles of I-5 in only Skagit and Snohomish Counties; and with service to  
Everett and Seattle. Closed door operations between Seattle Tacoma  
international Airport, downtown Seattle and Paine Field, and I-5 and the  
South Everett Park-and-Ride.

3 Certificate C000975 is held by Shuttle Express and authorizes passenger transportation  
service as described in the certificate.

4 Certificate C000933 is held by Wickkiser and authorizes passenger transportation service  
as described in that certificate.

5 The application appeared on the October 7, 2020, application docket. The application was  
unopposed.

6 In support of its request to extend authority, Wickkiser provided several letters from  
members of the public who live in the communities involved. The letters indicate a need  
for service that is not currently served on the route.

### **DISCUSSION AND DECISION**

7 The Commission, having considered the application and being fully advised, finds that  
Wickkiser is fit, willing, and able to furnish the transferred portion of services under  
certificate C000975, and that the transfer of rights under that certificate to Wickkiser will  
not be detrimental to the public interest.

8 Furthermore, the Commission, having considered the application and being fully advised,  
finds that Wickkiser is fit, willing, and able to furnish the proposed extension of service  
and that the proposed service is necessary and will be a convenience to the public.

9 After reviewing the evidence submitted and because no service of this nature is presently  
available over this route, the Commission will issue the requested authority.

**ORDER**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

- 10 (1) The application filed in this docket to transfer a portion of rights in the state of Washington from Shuttle Express, Inc., d/b/a Shuttle Express; Go Shuttle Express; Limos by Shuttle Express; Downtown Airporter, to Wickkiser International Companies Inc., d/b/a Airporter Shuttle, is granted.
- 11 (2) The portion of rights identified in the application from certificate C000975, as well as the requested extension of service is (re)issued to Wickkiser International Companies Inc., d/b/a Airporter Shuttle, by amending certificate C000933, as described in the attached Appendix A.
- 12 (3) Certificate C000975 is amended to remove that portion of the certificate reissued to Wickkiser International Companies Inc., d/b/a Airporter Shuttle, as described in the attached Appendix B.<sup>1</sup>
- 13 (4) The tariffs and time schedules for Shuttle Express, Inc., d/b/a Shuttle Express; Go Shuttle Express; Limos by Shuttle Express; Downtown Airporter, and Wickkiser International Companies Inc., d/b/a Airporter Shuttle, filed in connection with this application will become effective at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the service date of this Order.
- 14 The Commission has delegated authority to the Secretary to enter this Order under RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-905(6)(c).

DATED at Lacey, Washington and effective December 10, 2020.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



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<sup>1</sup> The Commission notes that Shuttle Express has also filed an application for voluntary cancellation of Certificate C000975 in Docket TC 200887. The Commission intends to address Shuttle Express's request to cancel Certificate C000975, as amended by this Order, in a separate proceeding.

Executive Director and Secretary

**NOTICE TO PARTIES:** This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.

**APPENDIX A**

Wickkiser International Companies Inc.,  
d/b/a Airporter Shuttle  
1416 Whitehorn St.  
Ferndale, WA 98248

Certificate No.  
C000933

**PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE BETWEEN:** Bellingham International Airport, Seattle Tacoma International Airport and Paine Field with service to intermediate points via I-5 and off route points within 5 miles of I-5 in only Skagit and Snohomish Counties; and with service to Everett and Seattle. Closed door operations between Seattle Tacoma International Airport, downtown Seattle and Paine Field and I-5 and the South Everett Park-and-Ride.

**BETWEEN:** I-5 and points in Fidalgo via SR 20 and SR 525.

**AIRPORTER PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE BETWEEN:** Seattle Tacoma International Airport and Paine Field and points in Whatcom County.

**BETWEEN:** Seattle Tacoma International Airport and/or Bellingham International Airport, Paine Field, Anacortes, and points within 5 miles of I-5 in Skagit County.

**COMBINED OPERATIONS:** Operations under this certificate may be combined in one vehicle for operational convenience of the carrier. The holder of this certificate may operate a two wheel trailer having a gross licensed weight not to exceed 2,000 pounds when such trailer is used to carry baggage or express and is towed by a vehicle in which passengers are being transported.

**PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE BETWEEN:** The city of Stanwood and Exit 212 on I-5, via State Highway 532, with no service to intermediate points on State Highway 532. The carrier may, at its option, interconnect this service with its service on the I-5 corridor.

**BETWEEN:** Seattle Tacoma International Airport and Paine Field and points in Snohomish County on or west of 51st Avenue N.E., and on and north of 108th Street N.E., then on and west of 67th Avenue N.E., north to 204th Street, then west of Highway 9 to the Skagit County border, with no service to be rendered on or at east of Highway 9.

Door-to-door service within the named territory by reservations only. All passenger service to originate or terminate at Seattle Tacoma International Airport.

**BETWEEN:** Seattle Tacoma International Airport, downtown Seattle, and Paine Field on the one hand, and points within the City of Everett on the other hand.

**\*LIMITATIONS:**

1. No service may be rendered hereinunder between SeaTac on the one hand and Seattle on the other hand.
2. No open-door service may be rendered hereinunder between Seattle on the one hand and Everett on the other hand.
3. No open-door service may be rendered hereinunder between Everett on the one hand and points in Snohomish County on the other hand.

**PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN:** Hotels and motels within a 3-mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport and all existing service locations authorized in Certificate C-933. Closed door operations between hotels and motels within a 3-mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport and I-5, South Everett Park-and-Ride. No service between Seattle Tacoma International Airport, Everett, on the one hand, and hotels and motels within a 3-mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport, on the other hand. Alternate Route: When necessary to circumvent traffic conditions that would negatively impact its schedule, the company may use any combination of roads or highways to provide its closed door service between Interstate 5, the South Everett Park-and-Ride and Seattle Tacoma International Airport and hotels and motels within a 3 mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport.

**BETWEEN:** Seattle Tacoma International Airport, downtown Seattle, and Paine Field on the one hand, and points within the Cities of Everett and Lynnwood on the other hand.

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operations between hotels and motels within a 3-mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport and I-5, South Everett Park-and-Ride. No service between Seattle Tacoma International Airport, Everett, on the one hand, and hotels and motels within a 3-mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport, on the other hand. Alternate Route: When necessary to circumvent traffic conditions that would negatively impact its schedule, the company may use any combination of roads or highways to provide it's closed door service between Interstate 5, the South Everett Park-and-Ride and Seattle Tacoma International Airport and hotels and motels within a 3 mile radius of Seattle Tacoma International Airport.

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APPENDIX B

Shuttle Express, Inc.,  
d/b/a Shuttle Express; Go Shuttle Express;  
Limos by Shuttle Express; Downtown Airporter  
800 SW 16th St  
Renton, WA 98057

Certificate No.  
C000975

Passenger service between points in King County and waterfront terminals in Seattle.

Limitations: No service may be rendered hereunder between:

1. Hotels in the cities of Sea-Tac or Tukwila and Cruise Terminals #66 and #91.
2. South Center Mall and Cruise Terminals #66 and #91.

Between: The Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, Boeing Field, Renton Airport, and Paine Field and points within the Seattle Commercial Zone in King and Snohomish Counties and excluding points in Kitsap and Pierce Counties, described as follows:

- (a) The municipality of Seattle;
- (b) All points within a line drawn fifteen miles beyond the municipal line of Seattle;
- (c) Those points in King County which are not within the area described in (b) of this subsection and which are west of a line beginning at the intersection of the line described in (b) of this subsection and Washington Highway 18, thence northerly along Washington Highway 18 to junction of Interstate Highway 90, thence westerly along Interstate Highway 90 to junction of Washington Highway 203, thence northerly along Washington Highway 203 to the King County line; and those points in Snohomish County, which are not within the area described in (b) of this subsection and which are west of Washington Highway 9.
- (d) All of any municipality any part of which is within the limits of the combined areas defined in (b) and (c) of this subsection; and
- (e) All of any municipality wholly surrounded, or so surrounded except for a water boundary, by the municipality of Seattle or by any other municipality included under the terms of (d) of this subsection.



Between: The Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, Boeing Field, Renton Airport and Paine Field and points within a 25-mile radius of these airports, excluding points in Kitsap and Pierce Counties.

Between: The Seattle-Tacoma International Airport and points in Pierce County, excluding service to or from Fort Lewis Army Base, McChord Air Force Base, Pearls by the Sea in Purdy, Safeway at Pt. Fosdick Square in Gig Harbor, and Denny's Restaurant at 5924 - 6th Avenue in Tacoma.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

1. Service may not be provided to or from the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel, La Quinta Hotel, Quality Hotel, Sherwood Inn, Lakewood Motor Inn and Tacoma Inn-Best Western.

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITY WAS OBTAINED BY TRANSFER FROM C-859 STANDING IN THE NAME OF SUBURBAN AIRPORTER, INC.

**PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN:**

Kirkland, Redmond, Bellevue, Mercer Island and Renton on the one hand and the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport on the other hand, via Interstate Highway 405 and connecting highways; subject to the following limitations:

- (1) The transportation service is limited to passengers, and their baggage, to or from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.
- (2) No service is authorized except at points named.
- (3) Service at the said airport shall be conducted in accordance with authorization issued by the Port of Seattle and such authorization is a term of this certificate. In the event of failure to comply with such authorization, this certificate, after hearing, may be suspended or revoked, in whole or in part. The holder of this certificate shall file with the Commission a copy of each authorization, or cancellation thereof, issued by the Port of Seattle.

**SUB. NO. 1 PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN:** Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, and/or Boeing Field Airport and Kirkland, Washington via county roads or city streets to Interstate 5 to Interstate 90 and/or SR 520, thence to their junction with

Interstate 405, thence over Interstate 405 and County Roads to Kirkland. (a) Via Interstate 405 and County Roads to points lying between Kirkland and the Snohomish County line. (b) West of Bothell to a line drawn south from the Snohomish County line along NE 88th to NE 170th St., thence West to Lake Washington. (c) Issaquah in King County.

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITY WAS OBTAINED BY TRANSFER FROM C-858 STANDING IN THE NAME OF COOMBS, ORVILLE J. & DIANE J.

PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN: Sherwood Inn located in the University District at the intersection of Interstate 5 and N.E. 45th St. and the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport via I-5 and N.E. 45th Street or alternate routes north and south.

**LIMITATIONS:**

1. No express service may be rendered hereunder except in the carrying of baggage of passengers.
2. No service may be rendered hereunder from, to or between intermediate points between Everett, the Everett Holiday Inn, Lynnwood and the Ramada Inn, 2140 North Northgate Way, Seattle, and the Sherwood Inn, Interstate 5 and N.E. 45th Street on the one hand and the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport on the other hand via local streets, Interstate Highway 5, State Road 518 or Interstate Highway 405 and 99 or alternate routes north and south.
3. The certificate shall remain effective only during the existence of satisfactory arrangements between the certificate holder and the Port of Seattle whereby the certificate holder shall be permitted to have access to and to afford the service under the certificate at the Seattle-Tacoma Airport.
4. The certificate holder must promptly furnish this Commission with a copy of any subsequent arrangements with the Port of Seattle which will change, modify, or expand any prior arrangements filed with the commission.

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITY WAS OBTAINED BY TRANSFER FROM C-819 STANDING IN THE NAME OF EVERGREEN TRAILS, INC. BETWEEN: Seattle and Seattle-Tacoma Airport.

**LIMITATIONS:**

1. Service hereunder is expressly limited to the transportation of airline passengers and flight crews between Seattle-Tacoma Airport on the one hand, and hotels, air and ground transportation office and facilities in Seattle on the other hand, at rates substantially higher than the fares of regular common carriers.
2. No express service may be rendered hereunder except in the carrying of baggage and excess baggage of passengers and flight crews.
3. No service may be rendered hereunder from, to or between intermediate points.

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