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Re: Courtesy notice re: fuel surcharge process

I regret that I will not attend the open meeting on September 30, 2010. However, I wholeheartedly support the argument made by John Solin and Mike Lauver. Our fares have remained unchanged since 2003. During that period gasoline was at \$1.610 per gallon. The last surcharge request shows the price at \$2.786 after discounts and federal fuel taxes are deducted. The pump price in Port Orchard is currently \$2.999 per gallon. No one will guarantee that fuel prices have stabilized and will remain stabilized. The method currently in effect by the WUTC is simple and effective for all concerned. Why change it? During my Naval career we learned a buzz word which was KISS and means "Keep It Simple Stupid".

I would highly recommend that the WUTC revisit the current EOR method (93/7) for rate determination. The Washington "ratepayers" (customers) enjoy the lowest fares in the country, perhaps the world.

In a message dated 9/27/2010 2:25:46 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time, john@jsolin.com writes:

I have attached comments that we would like presented at the Open Meeting this Thursday, September 30th. I have filed these with Records thru the online portal as well.

John Solin