

Sean McNamara dba Pacific Sea Taxi commercial ferry application

Pacific Cruises Northwest transfer application

Dear Judge Wallis:

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-740(1)(c), I am notifying ALD that commission staff, Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc., Island Mariner Inc., and Sean McNamara d/b/a Pacific Sea Taxi have reached a tentative settlement which would resolve all of the issues between them in both dockets TS-060061 and TS-060133. Consequently, we ask that the procedural schedule be suspended for both dockets.

I have already sent Judge Moss this email late yesterday, copying in the parties to settlement, but have since learned that he is on leave until 5/15.

Because the settlement involves two dockets which are not formally consolidated, we will be preparing a settlement agreement and attached documents under each docket and filing them for consideration by the commission in accordance with WAC 480-07-740 and WAC 480-07-730. The parties anticipate filing the settlements by May 19, 2006.

Because of the less complex nature of the matters and the uncontested status of the settlement, the parties suggest that a formal settlement hearing along with the opportunity for public comment are unnecessary in these cases. Although the parties have no strong preference, we suggest an informal, in camera review, on a paper record, of the proposed settlement agreement.

The parties would also appreciate your input as to how you would prefer the proposed settlement to be presented under WAC 480-07-740(2), and regarding subsequent prehearing conferences to discuss process following settlement.

If you need any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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