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Mike Lauver, Owner
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**RE: Docket TC-120834
Service between Whidbey Island and Bellingham International Airport**

Mr. Lauver and Mr. Solin,

Staff has reviewed Seatac Shuttle LLC's (Seatac) application to extend its certificate to provide service between Whidbey Island and Bellingham International Airport (BLI) filed in Docket TC-120834 and concludes that the file (amended authority language, time schedules and tariffs) demonstrates that Seatac requested, and the commission granted, only "door-to-door service by reservation only". Seatac's current tariff and time schedule reflect that service.

Staff acknowledges that there may have been confusion regarding the meaning of "scheduled" service and "door-to-door" service, and that the commission's rule¹ that requires a company that provides "nonscheduled" service to file a "time schedule" contributes to the confusion. However, that does not change the facts in the application or staff's conclusion.

If Seatac wants to provide "scheduled" service, meaning it wishes to pick up passengers at exact locations at exact times, specifically identified in company's tariff and time schedule, along a specific route, you must file an application. Staff remains available to assist you in making the appropriate filing. Since no other company provides service between Whidbey Island and BLI, staff expects that the application would likely not draw an objection by another company.

I apologize for any problems this matter has caused you and the travelling public. A new application would be the quickest way to resolve this matter. Because the commission's rules

¹ WAC 480-30-261(2) Time schedules.

(c) The time schedule filed by an auto transportation company that provides nonscheduled service must contain, but is not limited to:

- (i) Days of the week that the company's service is available.
- (ii) Hours of the day that the company's service is available.



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may have contributed to the confusion in this matter, I suggest that if you choose to file an application for "scheduled" service, that you ask the commission for an exemption from the application fee set forth in WAC 480-30-091.

If you have any questions about an application, please contact Tina Leipski at 360-664-1170.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eugene K. Eckhardt". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a stylized flourish at the end.

Gene Eckhardt
Assistant Director of Solid Waste, Water and Transportation