Letter Requesting Forbearance from Rate and Service Regulation of Auto Transportation Services

Date: 8/15/2018

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Attn: Licensing Services

PO Box 47250

Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Request for Forbearance from Rate and Service Regulation and Exemption of Rules

To the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

I am applying for an extension of my authority to provide auto transportation services in Leavenworth, WA and believe the service falls under the criteria for an exemption/forbearance from rate and service regulation pursuant to <u>RCW 81.68.015</u> Auto Transportation Companies. Our service does not serve an essential transportation purpose, is solely for recreation, and would not adversely affect the operations of a regulated auto transportation company. Further, the service is in the public interest.

- Each stop/destination in the service we provide, is for recreational purposes. These recreational destinations include passenger service to/between county, state and federal parks and trailheads, resorts, hotels, motels, inns, bed and breakfasts, shopping centers, art galleries and museums, wineries/vineyards, among other similar locations in Leavenworth, WA.
- We offer guided tours of Leavenworth, WA and allow on and off-type service so that clients can spend more time at the various locations; an invaluable service to the small businesses who offer tourist-related services. There are many vacationing people who do not bring their own vehicle to get around and, therefore, everyone's starting point is different.

Because I am requesting forbearance from rate and service regulation, I am also requesting an exemption from WAC 480-30-096(3)(c) (assets and liabilities), (d) (tariff and time schedule), (f) (ridership and revenue forecasts), and (g) (projected balance sheet and income statement).

I understand that if forbearance from rate and service regulation is approved for these services, I will receive Charter and Excursion authority which fall under the requirements of <u>RCW 81.70</u> (Passenger Charter and Excursion Carriers).

Thank you for your consideration of our request for forbearance from rate and service regulation.

Sincerely,
Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley Inc. DBA Leavenworth Jolly Trolley
Alison Caruso/ Owner
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