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Commissioners
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Olympia, Washington

Re: Comments Docket T-101661 and Docket A-042090

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the Island County Public Transportation Benefit Area, a municipal corporation, dba Island Transit, I urge you to reevaluate your proposed policy change affecting fuel surcharges used by our private partner Whidbey Sea-Tac Shuttle and others. Island Transit has a long history of working in partnership with Whidbey Seatac Shuttle to provide innovative solutions to the unique transportation challenges island living creates. We do not feel that is advisable to add to the already inherent problems of providing transportation services to our communities.

Island Transit, as the public transportation service provider in Island County, is a big piece of the solution for addressing the various transportation challenges our communities face. We will continue to work innovatively in tandem with Whidbey Sea-Tac Shuttle to create long term transportation efficiency strategies that will effectively address our goals. The shuttle is an integral part of our transportation here on the Island and has provided quality, reliable service for the past six years. We urge you to consider the value this service provides our communities at fair and reasonable price.

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