July 8, 2003

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Attn: Theodora Mace, Administrative Law Judge

Re: Trystan Matthews d/b/a Recycle Whidbey

Docket No. TG-030325

Dear Judge Mace:

In response to the July 1, 2003, request by Trystan Matthews for a continuance of the hearing on his application, Commission Staff has no objection to a continuance. Staff also respectfully suggests that, as this is an application for new authority, and Mr. Matthews cannot commence service until the application is granted, that no party protesting the application will be prejudiced by a delay of the hearing date to allow Mr. Matthews to retain an attorney. Commission Staff is available on any of the dates suggested in the notice of July 3, 2003, including July 24, 25,28, 29, 31, and August 1, 4 and 5.

Very truly yours,

MARY M. TENNYSON Sr. Assistant Attorney General

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