BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In The Matter of a Petition Requesting Commission Permission Allowing Temporary Discontinuance of Automobile Transportation Service,

by

SAN JUAN TRANSIT, INC. C-1006

DOCKET NO. TC-021022

ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUE SERVICE AUTHORIZED UNDER CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

MEMORANDUM

- On August 12, 2002, San Juan Transit, Inc., (Company) holder of certificate of public convenience and necessity C-1006, filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission a petition requesting permission from the Commission to temporarily discontinue service authorized under the Company's certificate.
- 2 Specifically, the Company requested authority to discontinue passenger and express service on San Juan Island for the period of September 2, 2002, to May 23, 2003.
- In its request, the Company stated that the temporary discontinuance was required due to economic reasons. With a greatly reduced number of visitors during the summer and higher insurance rates, the Company requested discontinuance of service earlier than in past years.
- 4 The Company requests that the Commission grant it permission to temporarily discontinue service beginning September 2, 2002, with resumption of service May 23, 2003.
- 5 WAC 480-30-060(9) provides that:

No auto transportation company shall discontinue the service called for under its certificate, and time schedule filed thereunder, without first having given to the commission and to the public, at least ten days' notice in writing of the intention to discontinue such service, and having secured from the commission permission so to do. 6

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FINDINGS

- (1) San Juan Island Transit, Inc., C-1006, is engaged in the business of providing automobile passenger and express service on San Juan Island as a public service company, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 7 (2) On August 12, 2002, San Juan Transit, Inc., C-1006, filed with the Commission a petition requesting Commission permission to discontinue service authorized by the Company's certificate of public convenience and necessity, C-1006. The discontinuance requested by the Company is to encompass the period of September 2, 2002, to May 23, 2003.
 - (3) The proposed discontinuance petition by San Juan Transit, Inc., C-1006, is reasonable and should be approved.
- 9 (4) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting on August 28, 2002. The Commissioners, having been advised in the matter, and having determined the following order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter the following order and related provisions.

ORDER

Permission is given to San Juan Transit, Inc., C-1006, to temporarily discontinue service authorized under the Company's certificate of public convenience and necessity for the period September 2, 2002, to May 23, 2003.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 28th day of August, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary