BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of)	DOCKET NO. TV-030604
)	
TRI-CITY UNITED, INC.,)	ORDER NO. 01
dba LARSEN TRANSFER CO.)	
)	
Petitioner,)	
)	
Seeking Exemption from the Provisions)	ORDER GRANTING
of WAC 480-15-480 Relating to Filing of)	EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
Annual Reports by Household Goods)	ANNUAL REPORT
Companies.)	

BACKGROUND

- On April 30, 2003, Tri-City United, Inc., dba Larsen Transfer Co. (Tri-City or the Company) filed with the Commission a petition requesting an extension to June 1, 2003, to file its 2002 annual report as required by WAC 480-15-480. According to the Company, it is unable to prepare the report because it is installing new computer software.
- 2 Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended granting Tri-City's request for an extension of time to June 1, 2003, to file its 2002 annual report.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate public service companies, including household goods companies. RCW 80.01.040; Chapter 81.04 RCW; Chapter 81.28 RCW and Chapter 81.80 RCW.

- 4 (2) Tri-City is a household goods company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 5 (3) Tri-City is subject to the provisions of RCW 81.04.080 and WAC 480-15-480 requiring household goods companies to file an annual report by May 1st of each year.
- 6 (4) WAC 480-15-035 provides that the Commission may grant an exemption from the provisions of any rule in Chapter 480-15 WAC, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation and applicable statutes.
- 7 (5) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 14, 2003.
- After review of the petition filed in Docket TV-030604 by Tri-City on April 30, 2003, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the circumstances facing the Company support an extension of the filing deadline to June 1, 2003; that the extension is consistent with the public interest and the purpose of the regulation in securing accurate as well as timely information; and that the extension is reasonable and an exemption should be granted.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

9 (1) The Commission grants the exemption sought by Tri-City United, Inc., dba Larsen Transfer Co., for an extension of time to June 1, 2003, to file its 2002 annual report.

- 10 (2) Failure by Tri-City United, Inc., dba Larsen Transfer Co., to file its 2002 annual report by June 1, 2003, may result in the Commission invoking provisions of Chapter 80.04 RCW that provide for penalty assessments.
- 11 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over Tri-City United, Inc., dba Larsen Transfer Co., and the subject matter to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 14th day of May, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary