

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
1-360-664-1222

Regarding suspension/cancellation of ) Docket TE-071793  
charter party carrier of passenger )  
certificate for failure of carrier to file ) Order Suspending/Canceling Certificate  
proof of liability and property damage ) No. CH000489  
insurance covering equipment. )  
 ) THUNDER EXPRESS CHARTER INC.

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BACKGROUND

- 1 Washington State law requires charter party carrier of passengers operating in intrastate commerce subject to regulation by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) to file and maintain proof of liability and property damage insurance.
- 2 On June 27, 2007 the Commission notified you by letter that your certificate to operate as a charter party carrier of passengers in Washington State would be suspended if acceptable proof of insurance (Form E) was not filed by your insurance company within 60 days. We also told you that you could contest suspension of your certificate by requesting a hearing within 10 days of the notice.
- 3 We have not received proof of insurance and you did not request a hearing.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

- 4 The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the state of Washington having authority to regulate charter party carrier of passengers as defined in RCW 81.70.
- 5 THUNDER EXPRESS CHARTER INC. is a charter party carrier of passengers operating in Washington State under certificate no. CH000489.
- 6 On June 27, 2007, the Commission received an insurance binder valid for up to 60 days. The Commission notified you that if a Form E insurance certificate was not received within 60 days your certificate would be suspended.
- 7 The Commission is authorized by WAC 480-30-171(1)(a) to suspend a charter party carrier of passenger certificate for failure to file and maintain proof of insurance.

- 8 The Commission is authorized by WAC 480-30-171(2)(c) to cancel a charter party carrier of passenger certificate for failure to correct conditions leading to suspension within the time defined in the order of suspension.

**ORDER**

- 9 The Commission suspends certificate no. CH000489 for a period of 30 days effective September 1, 2007.
- 10 You are directed to cease all operations associated with this certificate until the commission receives proof of liability and property damage insurance and enters an order lifting the suspension and authorizes you to resume operations.
- 11 If proof of insurance is not filed within 30 days, certificate no. CH000489 will be cancelled without further notice or order. To reinstate this certificate you must submit a new application and acceptable proof of insurance.
- 12 You may contest cancellation of this certificate by requesting a hearing within 10 days of service of this order. A hearing request does not affect the suspension status of your certificate.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective September 4, 2007.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
Executive Secretary