

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of	)	DOCKET TC-130369
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SEATAC SHUTTLE, LLC,	)	ORDER 01
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Petitioner,	)	
	)	
Staff request for Exemption from the	)	
Provisions of WAC 480-30-091	)	ORDER GRANTING
Relating to application filing fees.	)	EXEMPTION FROM RULE
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**BACKGROUND**

- 1* The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has adopted rules governing the regulation of auto transportation companies. See Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-30.
- 2* WAC 480-30-091 requires auto transportation companies to pay a fee in conjunction with each application for operating authority filed with the Commission.
- 3* SeaTac Shuttle LLC (SeaTac) is filing two applications with the Commission. The first is an application for extension of its permanent authority to allow SeaTac to provide service between Whidbey Island and the Bellingham International Airport. The second is an application for temporary authority so the company can temporarily serve the route while its permanent application is in process.
- 4* Staff seeks an exemption from WAC 480-30-091 that requires the applicant to pay a fee in conjunction with each of these two filings.
- 5* SeaTac Shuttle LLC has spent considerable time and resources over the past six months seeking application to expand its authority to provide service between Whidbey Island and Bellingham International Airport. Commission staff and the company have not been able to work together effectively and efficiently to bring the application before the Commission.

6 Staff believes it is in the public interest to grant the exemption in this case as it would promote the efficient and orderly receipt and administration of the application(s) of SeaTac Shuttle, LLC.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

7 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts and affiliated interests of public service companies, including household goods carriers. RCW 81.80.

8 (2) SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, is an applicant seeking authorization to provide auto transportation services within the state of Washington as a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.

9 (3) As an applicant, SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, is subject to WAC 480-30-091, which requires auto transportation companies to pay a fee in conjunction with each application for operating authority filed with the Commission.

10 (4) Under WAC 480-30-046, the Commission may grant an exemption from the provisions of any rule in WAC 480-30, if consistent with the public interest.

11 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 14, 2013.

**ORDER**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

12 (1) SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, is granted an exemption from WAC 480-30-091, requiring auto transportation companies to pay a fee in conjunction with each application for operating authority filed with the Commission.

13 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, 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 March 14, 2013.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING, Acting Executive Director and Secretary