

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKET NO. TC-050733
TRANSPORTATION)	
COMMISSION,)	ORDER NO. 01
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Complainant,)	
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v.)	
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SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, C-1077)	
)	COMPLAINT AND ORDER
Respondent.)	SUSPENDING TARIFF REVISIONS
.....)	

BACKGROUND

- 1 On May 17, 2005, SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, (SeaTac Shuttle or Company) filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff, designated as Special Fuel Surcharge Supplement No. 16. The stated effective date is June 1, 2005, per the attached Less Than Statutory Notice request accompanying the petition. The proposed one-way surcharge is \$0.25, and the proposed round trip surcharge is \$0.50.
- 2 The filing would increase charges and rates for service provided by SeaTac Shuttle. Because those increases might injuriously affect the rights and interests of the public and SeaTac Shuttle has not demonstrated that the increases would result in rates that are fair, just and reasonable, the Commission suspends the tariff filing and will hold public hearings if necessary to determine whether the proposed increases are fair, just and reasonable.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 3 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate

rates, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, and transfers of public service companies, including solid waste companies. *RCW 80.01.040; Chapter 81.01 RCW; Chapter 81.04 RCW; Chapter 81.28 RCW and Chapter 81.68 RCW.*

- 4 (2) SeaTac Shuttle is an auto transportation company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 5 (3) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 24, 2005.
- 6 (4) The tariff revisions filed by SeaTac Shuttle on May 17, 2005, would increase charges and rates for service provided by SeaTac Shuttle, and might injuriously affect the rights and interest of the public.
- 7 (5) SeaTac Shuttle has not yet demonstrated that the tariff revisions would result in rates that are fair, just and reasonable.
- 8 (6) In order to carry out the duties imposed upon the Commission by law, and as authorized in RCW 81.04.130, the Commission believes it is necessary to investigate SeaTac Shuttle's books, accounts, practices and activities; to make a valuation or appraisal of SeaTac Shuttle's property; and to investigate and appraise various phases of SeaTac Shuttle's operations.
- 9 (7) As required by RCW 81.04.130, SeaTac Shuttle bears the burden of proof to show that the proposed increases are fair, just and reasonable.
- 10 (8) SeaTac Shuttle may be required to pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to such an investigation to the extent the

requirements for such payment are in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 81.20 RCW.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 11 (1) The tariff revision(s) filed on May 17, 2005, are suspended.
- 12 (2) The Commission will hold hearings at such times and places as may be required.
- 13 (3) SeaTac Shuttle LLC must not change or alter the tariffs filed in this docket during the suspension period, unless authorized by the Commission.
- 14 (4) The Commission will institute an investigation of SeaTac Shuttle, LLC's books, accounts, practices, activities, property and operations as described above.
- 15 (5) SeaTac Shuttle, LLC, shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to the Commission's investigation to the extent the requirements for such payment are in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 81.20 RCW.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 24th day of May, 2005.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner