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**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In re Application No. D-079116 of  
CWA, INC., D/B/A CENTRAL  
WASHINGTON AIRPORTER,  
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and  
Necessity to Operate Motor Vehicles in  
Furnishing Passenger and Express Service as  
an Auto Transportation Company

Docket No. TC-021402

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF  
TAMI WALTON  
FOR  
CWA, INC. D/B/A CENTRAL WASHINGTON AIRPORTER**

February 27, 2003

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A. GENERAL BACKGROUND

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR FULL NAME AND ADDRESS.

A. I am Tami Walton, and my address is 105 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ellensburg, Washington, 98926.

Q. DO YOU WORK?

A. Yes.

Q. WHERE DO YOU WORK?

A. I am self employed.

B. THE PUBLIC NEED FOR CWA'S SERVICE

Q. HOW MANY TIMES A YEAR DO YOU TRAVEL TO SEATTLE OR SEATAC?

A. I travel to Seattle or Sea-Tac about three to four times per year.

Q. WAS THAT TRAVEL FOR BUSINESS OR PLEASURE?

A. Both.

Q. WHERE DO YOU TRAVEL FROM WHEN YOU ARE HEADING TO SEATTLE OR SEATAC?

A. I travel from Ellensburg, Washington.

Q. WHEN YOU TRAVEL TO SEATTLE OR SEATAC, WHAT MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION DO YOU USE?

A. I travel using my personal vehicle.

Q. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

A. It takes me two hours.

Q. DO YOU KNOW WHAT AN AIRPORTER SERVICE IS?

A. Yes. It is a shuttle service that takes passengers to the airport.

Q. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE SERVICE THAT CWA PLANS TO OFFER UNDER THIS APPLICATION?

A. Yes. CWA will offer an airporter service.

1 Q. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE LOCATIONS WHERE CWA PLANS TO SERVE?

2 A. CWA will serve Yakima, Ellensburg, Cle Elum, Amtrak's Seattle station and Sea-Tac  
3 Airport.

4 Q. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH CWA'S PROPOSED SERVICE SCHEDULE?

5 A. I am.

6 Q. DO YOU NEED A SERVICE LIKE THAT PROPOSED BY CWA FOR BUSINESS  
7 OR PERSONAL TRAVEL?

8 A. Yes. I would be interested in using CWA's airporter service.

9 Q. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO GAUGE THE  
10 PUBLIC'S NEED FOR CWA'S SERVICE?

11 A. I have enough information to discuss the public's need for a service like that proposed by  
12 CWA.

13 Q. DO YOU KNOW OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE A NEED FOR CWA'S SERVICE OR  
14 WOULD CONSIDER USING IT?

15 A. I do know people who would use the service.

16 Q. BASED ON THESE FACTORS, DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A PUBLIC  
17 NEED FOR CWA'S SERVICE?

18 A. Yes, there is a public need for CWA's service.

19 C. **GREYHOUND'S SERVICE IS UNSATISFACTORY**

20 Q. HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF GREYHOUND?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. DO YOU KNOW WHAT SERVICE GREYHOUND PROVIDES IN YOUR AREA?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. WHAT SERVICE IS THAT?

25 A. Greyhound offers a bus service.

26 Q. HAVE YOU EVER USED THAT SERVICE OR CONSIDERED USING IT?

1 A. I have considered using it.

2 Q. DOES THAT SERVICE PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN SEATAC OR  
3 AMTRAK AND THE AREA FROM WHICH YOU WOULD TRAVEL?

4 A. It does not serve Sea-Tac. I am not sure about Amtrak.

5 Q. IF YOU WANTED TO USE GREYHOUND'S SERVICE BETWEEN SEATAC OR  
6 AMTRAK AND THE AREA FROM WHICH YOU WOULD TRAVEL, WOULD YOU  
7 HAVE TO SWITCH BUSES OR TAKE A CAB FROM DOWNTOWN SEATTLE?

8 A. Yes, which would be inconvenient.

9 Q. DO YOU KNOW HOW OFTEN GREYHOUND'S SERVICE RUNS TO DOWNTOWN  
10 SEATTLE FROM WHERE YOU LIVE OR WORK?

11 A. No.

12 Q. DOES GREYHOUND'S SCHEDULE AND ROUTE MEET YOUR TRAVEL NEEDS?

13 A. No. I do not use it because it does not go directly to Sea-Tac airport or anywhere else I  
14 want to go. It does not meet my travel needs.

15 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

16 A. Yes.

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20 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that  
21 the foregoing is true and correct.

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23 EXECUTED this \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2003 at \_\_\_\_\_(city) in  
\_\_\_\_ County, Washington.

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