

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PROFESSIONAL TRANSPORTATION,
INC.,

Petitioner,

Seeking Exemption from the provisions of
WAC 480-30-071 Relating to Filing of
Annual Reports by Charter and Excursion
Carrier Companies

DOCKET TE-180327

ORDER 01

ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION
FROM RULE; GRANTING
COMPANY ADDITIONAL TIME TO
FILE ANNUAL REPORT

BACKGROUND

- 1 On April 18, 2018, Professional Transportation, Inc. (PTI or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition requesting an extension of time to file its 2017 annual report as required by Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-30-071. According to PTI, it is unable to prepare the report due to recent significant Staffing changes that has left the Company shorthanded and unable to complete the filing by the May 1, 2018, reporting deadline. PTI seeks an extension until June 29, 2018. PTI understands that the annual regulatory fee must be paid on or before May 1, 2018.
- 2 Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommends granting PTI's request for exemption.

DISCUSSION

- 3 We grant PTI's petition for exemption. WAC 480-30-071(2)(c) provides that the Commission may grant an extension of time allowing regulated companies to file an annual report after the May 1 due date if the Commission receives a request for extension before May 1. As noted above, PTI filed its request on April 18, 2018. Because PTI met the requirements of the rule, the Company may file its annual report no later than June 29, 2018, provided its regulatory fees are paid in full by May 1.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 4 (1) The 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 charter and excursion carrier companies.
- 5 (2) PTI is a charter and excursion carrier company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 6 (3) PTI is subject to WAC 480-30-071, which requires charter and excursion carrier companies to file an annual report by May 1 of each year.
- 7 (4) Under WAC 480-30-071 (2)(c), the Commission may grant an extension of time allowing the Company to file its annual report after the May 1 due date if the Commission receives a request for extension before May 1.
- 8 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 26, 2018.
- 9 (6) After review of the petition filed in Docket TE-180327 by PTI on April 18, 2018, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and applicable statutes and should be granted.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 10 (1) The request by Professional Transportation, Inc. for an exemption from WAC 480-70-071 and for an extension until June 29, 2018, to file its 2017 annual report is granted.
- 11 (2) Failure by Professional Transportation, Inc. to file its 2017 annual report by June 29, 2018, may result in enforcement action, up to and including cancellation of its operating authority.
- 12 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Professional Transportation, Inc. 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 April 26, 2018.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING, Executive Director and Secretary