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Ms. Carole J. Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Subject:

In re Application of Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines

Docket No. TC-041593 (Consolidated with TC-041340)

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Attached is a stipulation signed by Shuttle Express, Inc. ("Shuttle Express") and Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines. ("Heckman"), containing amendments to Heckman's request for authority in this docket. Shuttle Express circulated this stipulation to the parties to this docket, and no parties have informed Shuttle Express that they object to it. Shuttle Express now requests to be excused from participating in the upcoming hearing and from complying with related prehearing filing deadlines. Shuttle Express will remain a party to this proceeding to ensure that the Commission adopts the stipulation as it is currently worded or in a form acceptable to Shuttle Express.

Very truly yours,

David L. Rice

cc w/enc: All Parties of Record