

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of  
KITSAP FERRY COMPANY, LLC  
d/b/a KITSAP FERRY CO

DOCKET NO. TS-040794

DECLARATION OF  
BONNIE L. ALLEN

For a Temporary Certificate of Public  
Convenience and Necessity to Operate  
Commercial Ferry Service

I, BONNIE L. ALLEN, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington, declare as follows:

1. I am over 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the state of Washington, and competent to be a witness.
2. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and have been since 1976. Since November 2002, I have held the position of Regulatory Analyst 3 in the Commission's Water and Transportation Section.
3. My duties include reviewing applications for temporary commercial ferry certificates, investigating issues relating to the application, and providing a written recommendation to Eugene Eckhardt, the Assistant Director of the Water and Transportation Section. This has been part of my regular work responsibilities since approximately 1995.
4. On April 29, 2004, the Commission received an application from Kitsap Ferry Company, LLC, for a temporary certificate to operate passenger-only ferry service between Bremerton and Seattle, Washington.

5. I conducted an investigation regarding the application for temporary certificate, including the following:
  - Review the application, tariff, schedule, and supporting documents to ensure the application satisfies the filing requirements.
  - Determine if the applicant's proposed route is included in an existing certificate of public convenience and necessity.
  - Determine if the applicant's proposed route is included in a pending application for certificate of public convenience and necessity.
  - Determine if the applicant's proposed route is exempt from the 10-mile Washington State Ferry restriction.
  - Determine if the applicant's supporting statements identify an unmet need for service.
  - Determine if the applicant's proposed route is on Puget Sound and the application contains a Public Transportation Benefit Area (PTBA) resolution.
  - Review agency records to determine if the applicant has a compliance history.
  - Provide the applicant with suggested revisions to their proposed tariff and schedule.
  - Request additional vessel documentation.
  - Advise the company to submit its proof of insurance covering the vessel.
  
6. I prepared a memorandum dated May 5, 2004, to Mr. Eckhardt. The memorandum presents the results of my investigation and recommendation. A true and accurate copy of the memorandum is attached to this declaration as Attachment 1.
  
7. My recommendation was that the Commission grant the application for a temporary commercial ferry certificate, and Mr. Eckhardt concurred in that recommendation.

8. As of June 23, 2004, the Commission has received approximately 90 letters from the public regarding Kitsap Ferry's temporary certificate.

DATED this \_\_\_ day of June 2004 at Olympia, Washington.

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BONNIE L. ALLEN