## Docket No. TS-180677 - Vol. I

## In re Application of Backcountry Travels LLC

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UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	2 1:44 P.M.
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BACKCOUNTRY TRAVELS LLC )	4 PROCEEDINGS
For a Certificate of Public )	5
Convenience and Necessity to ) Operate Vessels in Furnishing )	6 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Let's be on the record.
Passenger Ferry Service )	7 Good afternoon. We're here today for a prehearing 8 conference regarding an application for commercial ferry
<u></u>	8 conference regarding an application for commercial ferry 9 certificate for Backcountry Travels LLC, Docket
PREHEARING CONFERENCE, VOLUME I	10 TS-180677.
Pages 1-10	11 The time is approximately 1:44 p.m. on
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ANDREW O'CONNELL	12 Monday, November 19, 2018. My name is Andrew O'Connell
	13 I'm an administrative law judge with the Washington
November 19, 2018	14 Utilities and Transportation Commission. I'll be
1:44 P.M.	presiding in this matter. After this hearing, I'll
	prepare an order outlining the procedure going forward
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive Southwest	17 in this case.
Olympia, Washington 98504	Now I intend to address the scope of this
	proceeding and the procedural schedule, but first, I
REPORTED BY: TAYLER GARLINGHOUSE, CCR 3358	will take appearances. I believe all parties are
Buell Realtime Reporting, LLC	represented by counsel in this proceeding. Correct me
1325 Fourth Avenue, Suite 1840 Seattle, Washington 98101	if I am mistaken, but the Commission has received
(206) 287-9066   Seattle	written notices of appearances, so I believe that short
(253) 235-0111   Tacoma (800) 846-6989   National	24 appearances are appropriate.
www.buellrealtime.com	25 Let's begin with Commission Staff.
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Page 5 Page 7 1 schedule? 1 want to point out two things, for electronic filing and 2 MR. ROBERSON: Possibly. We have not heard 2 electronic service. Filing will be in accordance with 3 3 from the applicant as to whether or not the -the Commission rules. The Commission requires MR. HITCHCOCK: Yes, I confirmed -- I 4 4 electronic filings of documents for formal filings. 5 5 confirmed with my clients moments ago that the proposed Also, the Commission's rules provide for electronic 6 schedule we discussed last Friday is acceptable to 6 service of documents. The Commission will serve the 7 7 Backcountry Travels. parties electronically and the parties will serve each 8 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. Is there a copy of 8 other electronically. 9 9 that available? If any party has not yet designated a lead 10 10 MR. ROBERSON: There is. representative for service, please do so via an email to 11 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. Let me come back to 11 me as soon as possible. My email is 12 the parties' proposal for procedural schedule, and let 12 andrew.j.oconnell@utc.wa.gov. Also, if anyone would me start with the scope of the proceeding. 13 13 like to add names and email addresses of other 14 This proceeding started when Lake Chelan 14 representatives or support staff who should receive 15 Recreation, which owns a certificate to provide 15 electronic courtesy copies, please email that to me as 16 commercial ferry service on Lake Chelan, protested in 16 17 the application for a commercial ferry certificate by 17 I'd like to move on to addressing the 18 Backcountry Travels LLC. 18 procedural schedule that's been proposed by the parties. 19 The issue as presented in this case, for 19 Mr. Roberson, can you please address the 20 20 which I will have to make a decision, regards whether schedule? 21 21 the public convenience and necessity require the MR. ROBERSON: Gladly, Your Honor. A month 22 22 operation as proposed by Backcountry Travels, and out from today's prehearing conference is 23 23 because there was a protest to the application, whether December 17th, 2018, that is when the applicant's 24 Lake Chelan Recreation has failed or refused to furnish 24 prefiled testimony would be due; response testimony from 25 reasonable and adequate service or has failed to provide 25 the protestant and Staff would be due Page 6 Page 8 1 the service described in its certificate or tariffs. I 1 January 14th, 2019; rebuttal and cross-answering 2 2 will also have to determine whether Backcountry Travels testimony would be due February 11th, 2019. That same 3 3 has the financial resources to conduct its proposed day, we've built into the procedural schedule a cut-off 4 4 service. date for a motion for summary determination, which at 5 5 The burden is on Backcountry Travels as to least one of the parties is intending on or at least 6 all these determinations. I'm aware that Backcountry 6 pondering filing. 7 Travels has already submitted its application as well as 7 Witness lists, cross-examination estimates, 8 8 a number of supporting materials. and cross-examination exhibits would be due I'd like to address a few more brief matters April 5th, 2019. The parties are not sure about the 9 9 10 before we get to the procedural schedule. During the 10 length of the hearing. Conservatively, we've scheduled 11 proceedings at the Commission, I'm aware that parties 11 it for two days, over April 22nd and 23rd, 2019, and 12 often request that any data requests and responses are 12 simultaneous post-hearing briefs would be due 13 13 shared with every party. I would make this easier on May 27th, 2019. 14 the parties by including such a requirement in the 14 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Mr. Richards, 15 prehearing conference order. Is there any objection to 15 Mr. Hitchcock, is there anything that you would like to 16 my including that requirement? 16 add? 17 MR. ROBERSON: None from Staff. 17 MR. RICHARDS: Nothing from Lake Chelan 18 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Mr. Richards? 18 Recreation. 19 MR. RICHARDS: None from Lake Chelan. 19 MR. HITCHCOCK: Nothing to add for 20 JUDGE O'CONNELL: And, Mr. Hitchcock? 20 Backcountry Travels. 21 MR. HITCHCOCK: None from Backcountry 21 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. Is there anything 22 22 else that the parties know that we need to discuss Travels. 23 23 JUDGE O'CONNELL: Thank you. today? 24 24

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Discovery will otherwise be conducted

according to the Commission's procedural rules. And I

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MR. ROBERSON: Not from Staff's perspective.

JUDGE O'CONNELL: Mr. Richards?

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1	MR. RICHARDS: Nothing from me.	
2	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Mr. Hitchcock?	
3	MR. HITCHCOCK: Nothing from me.	
4	JUDGE O'CONNELL: Okay. I will issue an	
5	order shortly containing the procedural schedule and	
6	other guidelines for the disposition of this case, and	
7	with nothing else, we are adjourned. Thank you.	
8	(Adjourned at 1:51 p.m.)	
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