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Ms. Carole J. Washburn
Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504

Re:

Petition in San Juan Shuttle Express, Inc., d/b/a San Juan Island Shuttle Express - Cause No. TS-040758; Consent Agenda Item E-8, 5/12/04

Dear Secretary Washburn:

On behalf of Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc., applicant in proceeding B-079240, this is to indicate our formal objection to continuing grants of service suspension to the above-captioned Petitioner. As I understand, service suspension orders for annual periods have already been previously granted in Docket TS-020464 on April 24, 2002, and TS-030574 on April 30, 2003. The petitioner, San Juan Island Shuttle Express, is a protestant in current Application B-079240 for an overlapping commercial ferry route, and yet continues to seek temporary suspension in service to the same route from the Commission which it has routinely granted.

While we understand this will be a relevant issue in the application proceeding, we wanted to formally raise our concern about continuing extension of service suspension requests by this Petitioner through submission into the record of the current proceeding.

Please contact me if you have any further questions on this matter.

Yours truly,

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Pacific Cruises Northwest, Inc.

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