

Sent by electronic mail

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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

I am writing to thank you for ordering inspections of "Ride the Ducks of Seattle" vehicles, and for suspending their operation until your inspections are completed. I believe this is a necessary step to ensure public safety.

I commute to work on the Aurora Bridge, where the tragic accident took place on September 24. On a number of occasions, I have noticed Duck vehicles appear to edge over into another lane.

Given the narrow lanes, the width of the vehicles, the narration provided by the operator, and the 40 miles per hour speed limit, the continued operation of the Duck vehicles on the Aurora Bridge may endanger public safety.

I am requesting that you evaluate the safety implications of Duck vehicles operating on the Aurora Bridge. Should you determine that Duck vehicles can safety continue operations in Seattle, I ask that you consider not allowing them to continue to travel on the Aurora Bridge. They could use alternative bridges to cross the ship canal.

Sincerely,

Nick Licata