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January 7, 2019

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO MOTION
(By Wednesday, January 9, 2019)

RE: *In re Application of Backcountry Travels LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate Vessels in Furnishing Passenger Ferry Service, Docket TS-180677*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On August 10, 2018, Backcountry Travels LLC (Backcountry or Applicant) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) an Application for Commercial Ferry Certificate (Application) in accordance with RCW 81.84.

On October 8, 2018, Lake Chelan Recreation, Inc. (Lake Chelan Recreation or Protestant) filed a protest to the Application. The Commission convened a prehearing conference on November 29, 2018.

On November 21, 2018, the Commission entered Order 01, Prehearing Conference Order; Notice of Hearing (Order 01), which established a procedural schedule including, among other things, a deadline for the Protestant and Commission staff (Staff) to file testimony and exhibits, on January 14, 2019.

On January 3, 2019, Lake Chelan Recreation filed a motion to withdraw its protest (Motion). The Motion was clarified on January 4, 2019, as a motion by Lake Chelan Recreation to withdraw as a party and withdraw its protest, as well as to modify the procedural schedule to allow Lake Chelan Recreation to file public comments by January 25, rather than testimony and exhibits on January 14; and to provide opportunity for response to any submitted comments.

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-07-375 provides that any party that opposes a written motion may file a written response within five business days after a motion is served. Due to the approaching filing deadlines, however, the Commission finds good cause to shorten that response time to five calendar days from the date the Motion was clarified, and

therefore allows parties to file a response to the procedural issues in the Motion by **5 p.m., Wednesday, January 9, 2019.**

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That parties must file any written response to the Motion by 5 p.m., Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

ANDREW J. O'CONNELL
Administrative Law Judge