STATE OF WASHINGTON BEFORE THE MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 8 on behalf of CAROL BAYLESS.

MEC CASE NO. 29-06

Grievant,

DECISION NO. 530 - MEC

v.

WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES.

Respondent.

ORDER OF MEDIATION RESULTS AND CLOSING SETTLED GRIEVANCE

Shannon Halme, Union Representative, appearing for Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 8.

Rob McKenna, Attorney General, by *David Slown*, Assistant Attorney General, appearing for Washington State Ferries.

THIS MATTER came on regularly before the Marine Employees' Commission (MEC) on June 26, 2006, when the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 8 (OPEIU) filed a request for grievance mediation alleging that WSF violated Article 6 of the parties' collective bargaining agreement when it 1) failed to consider Carol Bayless' application for the Staff Aide position #A0301, 2) failed to notify Ms. Bayless of the status of her application, and 3) hired an individual from outside the WSF system for the position.

The MEC docketed the request for grievance mediation as Case No. 29-06. Chairman John Swanson was assigned to act as Mediator at a settlement conference scheduled for October 31, 2007. An agreement was not reached, but the parties planned to continue efforts to resolve the issue. The OPEIU and WSF participated in a second MEC settlement conference on January 30, 2007; progress was made.

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By letter on September 17, 2007, Shannon Halme, OPEIU, withdrew the matter.

ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the request for grievance mediation, filed by the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 8, and docketed as MEC Case No. 29-06, is closed in acknowledgment of the parties' settlement.

DATED this 26th day of October 2007.

MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

/s/ JOHN SWANSON, Chairman

/s/ JOHN SULLIVAN, Commissioner

/s/ ELIZABETH FORD, Commissioner