STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:)
WASHINGTON FEDERATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES) CASE 18436-E-04-2943
Involving certain employees of:) DECISION 8645-A - PSRA
WASHINGTON STATE - DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE)) ORDER CLOSING CASE)

On April 16, 2004, Washington Federation of State Employees filed a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation with the Public Employment Relations Commission, involving certain employees of Washington State - Department of Fish and Wildlife. As a result of preliminary processing of the petition, the Commission determined the question concerning representation, and issues concerning the eligibility of certain employees for inclusion in the bargaining unit were reserved for subsequent determination. The tally indicated that Washington Federation of State Employees was entitled to certification in the matter, and that the reserved eligibility issues were not of a sufficient number to affect the outcome of the proceedings.

An interim certification was issued in this matter, as Washington State - Department of Fish and Wildlife, Decision 8645 (PSRA, 2004), for the bargaining unit described as:

ALL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES COVERED UNDER RCW 41.80 IN THE BUSINESS SERVICES PROGRAM AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE, EXCLUDING SUPERVISORS, CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES AND WMS EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYEES IN EXISTING BARGAINING UNITS.

The proceeding was held open to resolve the eligibility disputes previously framed by the parties.

Prior to issuance of a decision on the eligibility issues, the parties resolved their differences. It therefore appears that all issues that could properly be addressed in this representation proceeding have been resolved, and that no further proceedings are necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

- 1. The interim certification issued in this matter will stand as the final certification in this representation proceeding.
- 2. The above-captioned matter is CLOSED.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, on the 8th day of July, 2005.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director