

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:)	
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WASHINGTON STATE NURSES)	
ASSOCIATION)	CASE 14684-C-99-941
)	
For clarification of an existing)	DECISION 7095 - PECB
bargaining unit of employees of:)	
)	
SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT)	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
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_____)	

On July 2, 1999, the Washington State Nurses Association (union) filed a petition for clarification of an existing bargaining unit with the Public Employment Relations Commission, under Chapter 391-35 WAC, concerning a bargaining unit of employees of the Spokane Regional Health District (employer). Specifically, the union sought to have the "public health nurse III/public health nurse coordinator" classification, currently held by two employees, included in the bargaining unit of approximately 51 public health nurses currently represented by the union.

Over the course of seven months, Hearing Officer Walter M. Stuteville contacted the employer's representative and left messages for the union's representative, attempting to schedule a hearing. On January 29, 2000, the Hearing Officer was informed by Walt Dunlavey, a representative of the union, that the union was reevaluating its position and would make a decision as to whether it would continue to pursue the issue. In April of 2000, in response to a telephone inquiry by the Hearing Officer, Dunlavey left a message that the union would be withdrawing its petition. A written request for withdrawal was not forthcoming, however.

On May 8, 2000, the parties were notified that the petition in this matter would be dismissed, unless information was received within a specified period to indicate they desired to have this matter go forward. Nothing further has been heard or received from the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

The petition for clarification of an existing bargaining unit filed in the above captioned matter is hereby DISMISSED for lack of prosecution.

Issued at Olympia, Washington, this 7th day of June, 2000.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION



MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director

This order will be the final order of the agency unless a notice of appeal is filed with the Commission under WAC 391-35-210.