## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:	)
	) CASE NO. 6065-E-85-1090
WASHINGTON STATE COUNCIL OF	)
COUNTY AND CITY EMPLOYEES,	DECISION 2408-A - PECB
COUNCIL 2	) )
	)
Involving certain employees of:	)
	)
FERRY COUNTY	ORDER CLOSING CASE
	)
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The above-captioned proceedings were initiated by a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation filed on October 25, 1985. The parties filed an election agreement, together with a supplemental agreement preserving their disagreement as to the bargaining unit status of certain positions. An election was held and, on March 10, 1986, an interim certification was issued naming the Washington State Council of County and City Employees as the exclusive bargaining representative of:

All full-time and regular part-time employees of the Ferry County Sheriff's Office, excluding the sheriff and appointed positions as authorized by RCW 41.14.070.

Ferry County, Decision 2408 (PECB, 1986).

Final certification was withheld pending determination of the issues reserved in the supplemental agreement.

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Subsequent changes in circumstance have eliminated the dispute between the parties and the need for determination of the issues reserved in the supplemental agreement.

In a letter to the parties under date of April 8, 1987, the Executive Director pointed out the potential for misunder-standings in the future arising from the terms used (particularly the references to "appointments" made under the provisions of a separate statute) in the agreed unit description and suggested preferred language. The parties were notified that the unit would be described as suggested unless objections were made within a period of time for response. Neither party responded.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

## ORDERED

- 1. The stipulations of the parties are accepted as conclusive of the issues reserved in the supplemental agreement filed in this proceeding.
- 2. The interim certification issued in <u>Ferry County</u>, Decision 2408 (PECB, 1986), will stand as the final certification of representative in this case, except that the description of the bargaining unit is amended, consistent with the letter issued April 8, 1987, to read:

All full-time and regular part-time employees of the Ferry County Sheriff's Department, excluding the Sheriff, confidential employees, and supervisors. 3. The proceedings in the above-captioned case are closed.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this <a href="mailto:27th">27th</a> day of April, 1987.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director