STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:

WASHINGTON STATE COUNCIL OF COUNTY)

AND CITY EMPLOYEES) CASE 14029-E-98-2349

Involving certain employees of:) DECISION 6401-A - PECB

CITY OF LAKEWOOD) ORDER OF REMAND
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This case comes before the Commission on timely objections filed by the City of Lakewood, seeking to appeal an order directing a cross-check issued by Executive Director Marvin L. Schurke.¹

BACKGROUND

On July 15, 1998, the Washington State Council of County and City Employees filed a petition for investigation of a question concerning representation with the Public Employment Relations Commission seeking certification as exclusive bargaining representative of employees of the City of Lakewood Municipal Court. An investigation conference was conducted by telephone conference call on August 19, 1998. The parties disagreed about the method to determine the question concerning representation and the dispute concerning methodology was referred to the Executive Director. After examination of the case file, the Executive Director issued the order directing a cross-check on August 25, 1998.

¹ City of Lakewood, Decision 6401 (PECB, 1998).

The employer supplied the Commission with the signatures of the eligible employees. A cross-check was conducted on August 31, 1998, and a tally was issued showing that the union had support of 6 of the 8 employees of the bargaining unit.

THE OBJECTIONS

On September 8, 1998, the employer filed objections to the Direction of Cross-check. The case was thus transferred to the Commission, as required by WAC 391-25-670.

On September 18, 1998, the employer notified the Commission that it was withdrawing its objections in the matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

This matter is remanded to the Executive Director for issuance of an appropriate certification and closure of the case.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this 29th day of September, 1998.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARILYN CZENN SAYAN, Chairperson

SAM KINVILLE, Commissioner

JØSEPH W. DUFFY, Commissioner