STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

CITY OF	EDMONDS,)	CASE 10776-U-93-2504
	Complainant		DECISION 4806 - PECE
vs.)	DECIDION 1000 THE
EDMONDS	POLICE OFFICERS	GUILD,	
	Resp	ondent.)	ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On November 9, 1994, the City of Edmonds filed a complaint charging unfair labor practices alleging that the Edmonds Police Officers Guild had violated Chapter 41.56 RCW, by insisting to impasse that the employer bargain on a proposal that the employer considered to be a non-mandatory subject of collective bargaining. The parties were in mediation at the time the complaint was filed, and remained in mediation for a time thereafter.

On May 4, 1994, the Executive Director informed the employer that the filing of the unfair labor practice complaint was premature, and that this case would be held in abeyance until such time as the underlying negotiations might be certified for interest arbitration under RCW 41.56.450 et seq.

A search of the Commission's docket record indicates that the parties reached agreement on a successor contract in the mediation case. The proposal at issue in this unfair labor practice case was never certified for interest arbitration. The prematurity noted in May of 1994 has thus matured into the absence of a cause of action.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

The complaint charging unfair labor practices filed in the above-captioned matter is hereby <u>DISMISSED</u> for failure to state a cause of action.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this <a>9th day of August, 1994.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MARVIN L. SCHURKE, Executive Director

This order may be appealed by filing timely objections with the Commission pursuant to WAC 391-45-350.