Service Date: July 14, 2018

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Determining the Proper Carrier Classification of, and Complaint for Penalties Against: **DOCKET TE-180587**

DECLARATION OF JUSTIN RAUB

LATIN LIMOUSINE, LLC D/B/A HR LIMOUSINE

Justin Raub, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

- 1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) as a Compliance Investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a Compliance Investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate transportation companies that may be operating without the required commission-issued certificate.
- 2. On May 22, 2018, I received a tip that Latin Limousine, LLC d/b/a HR Limousine (Latin Limousine or Company), was continuing to operate as a party charter party and excursion service carrier after the commission had canceled its certificate, Docket TE-180227.
- 3. I reviewed commission records and learned that commission staff sent a compliance letter to Latin Limousine on March 7, 2016, which stated, "Until and unless the Commission grants your company the proper authority, you must remove any related advertising and cease offering and/or providing services subject to Commission regulation."²
- 4. I reviewed commission records and learned that the commission had canceled Latin Limousine's charter certificate on March 14, 2018, due to insufficient proof of insurance. In its cancellation letter to Latin Limousine, the commission directed the company to immediately cease all charter operations and warned the company of possible enforcement action if it operated without authority.
- 5. On July 2, 2018, I searched the internet for Latin Limousine. One of the search results was the Company's website at www.hrlimousine.com. Also, www.latinlimousine.com

¹ See Attachment A for UTC cancellation letter dated March 14, 2018.

² See Attachment B for UTC staff compliance letter dated March 7, 2016.

which is in Spanish. On both its websites, Latin Limousine advertises passenger transportation services regulated by the commission.³

- 6. On July 2, 2018, I searched www.facebook.com for Latin Limousine and HR Limousine, and located the Company's profiles which advertise passenger transportation services regulated by the Commission.⁴
- 7. On July 2, 2018, posing as a consumer, I submitted a request for transportation through Latin Limousine's website, www.hrlimousine.com, requesting a quote for the Limo Party Bus on July 20, 2018, from the SeaTac Airport Marriott to Bellevue.⁵ On July 2, 2018, I received confirmation over the phone for transportation of 18 passengers on the Limo Party Bus for \$840.⁶

DATED this 13th day of July, 2018, at Olympia, Washington.

JUSTIN RAUB	 	

³ See Attachment C for a copy of Latin Limousine's websites, captured on July 2, 2018.

⁴ See Attachment D for a copy of Latin Limousine's Facebook pages, which I captured on July 2, 2018.

⁵ See Attachment E for a copy of email from Latin Limousine with quote for tour, dated July 2, 2018.

⁶ See Attachment F for details of the trip confirmed by phone with Latin Limousine with trip details and quote for tour, dated July 2, 2018.