Pacific Northwest Transportation Services, Inc. (C-862) d/b/a Premier Airport Shuttle/Capital Aeroporter PO Box 2163 Olympia, Washington 98507



March 15, 2024

Jeff Killip
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Lp SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Re: TE-240112 - Company Response to Violation - Pacific Northwest Transportation Services, Inc.(C-862) - Premier Airport Shuttle

Mr. Killip:

Pacific Northwest Transportation Services, Inc., d/b/a Capital Aeroporter Airport Shuttle, d/b/a Capital Aeroporter Tours & Charters, d/b/a Airport Shuttle, d/b/a Capital City Charters, d/b/a Premier Airport Shuttle (Pacific Northwest Transportation Services or Company) admits that Company Driver, Elbert Vines, was found to be in violation of 49 CFR 391.41(a) - Medical (Certificate), with an expired Medical Certificate, on February 14, 2024. This safety violation was immediately addressed, resolved and corrected. Mr. Elbert Vines was immediately placed on an administrative suspension. He was transported by another Company driver back to our Dispatch Headquarters and then proceeded directly to an appointment with a Certified Medical Examiner to undergo a Physical Examination. Mr. Vines passed his Physical Exam and was approved with a new Medical Examiner's Certificate on February 14, 2024, later on the same date of the violation.

Our Company takes Driver and Vehicle Safety seriously, along with the safety and well being of customers and the traveling public.

Our Company also agrees with the staff comment "The Company's drivers and vehicles have been subject to 21 destination check inspections since the beginning of 2021 with no occurrences of drivers operating without valid medical certificates. The driver was cooperative throughout the inspection process and the Company provided an alternative driver to pick up the CMV. Staff believes the likelihood of recurrence is low", as stated, in Docket "Penalty Assessment: TE-240112".

The Company will pay the \$100 penalty on March 15, 2024, in full through the Commission's payment portal.

Regards,

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