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Theo Mace, Administrative Law Judge
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
P. O. Box 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *Pennco Transportation Application/Heckman Motors Inc. dba Olympic Bus Lines*
Docket Nos. TC-041340 and TC-041593, Consolidated

Dear Judge Mace:

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-385, Commission Staff requests a one week postponement of the hearing to be held on Monday, June 13, 2005, for the purpose of receiving additional evidence on the status of Pennco's operations and the affect of Pennco's status on the resolution of the Pennco and Heckman applications for authority. Staff requests postponement to the following Monday, June 20th.

The reason for the request is that counsel for Staff will be out of town from June 13 through June 16 at the National Conference of Regulatory Attorneys' annual conference. It would be difficult for another attorney in our division to get "up to speed" on the issues in order to cover the hearing, and in any event, the conflict could be remedied by a short delay of one week.

There will be no prejudice to either Olympic, which is presently serving the points for which it is seeking authority pursuant to its long-standing filed tariff, or to Pennco, which according to Mr. Harris' May 31, 2005, e-mail has laid off employees and is taking a "brief respite."



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Staff apologizes that this request is made only four business days prior to the scheduled hearing, but would point out that the request is made only three business days after service of the notice of hearing. The press of other business delayed the request.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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