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NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY

RE: Johnson's Hauling, LLC, Commission Staff's Request to Waive Penalty Assessment
Docket TV-160624

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 28, 2016, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Johnson's Hauling, LLC (Johnson's Hauling or Company) in the amount of \$1,000, alleging violations of WAC 480-15-480, which requires household goods companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1 each year, or on the first business day thereafter.

On July 18, 2016, Johnson's Hauling responded to the penalty assessment and requested mitigation of the penalty based on the written information provided. The Company explained that it intended to cease operations as a household goods company.

On July 27, 2016, Commission staff (Staff) filed a response recommending the Commission waive the \$1,000 penalty because Johnson's Hauling's household goods permit was cancelled on July 13, 2016, in Docket TV-160904 at the Company's request.

The Commission's primary objective in any enforcement action is to ensure compliance with a company's legal obligations; penalties both punish noncompliance and provide an incentive to comply in the future. The assessed penalty would further neither of these goals if the company is no longer operating in Washington. The Commission therefore withdraws the penalty assessed against Johnson's Hauling.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Johnson's Hauling, LLC is withdrawn and Docket TV-160624 is closed.

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