

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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January 13, 2022

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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Spokane Limousine, LLC d/b/a Black Tie Limo Service; Black Tie Limousine Service

Commission Staff's Response to Application for Mitigation of Penalties

Docket TE-210961

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On December 30, 2021, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty assessment against Spokane Limousine, LLC d/b/a Black Tie Limo Service; Black Tie Limousine Service (Spokane Limousine or Company) in the amount of \$1,200 for violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-30-221, Vehicle and Driver Safety Requirements, which adopts Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (49 C.F.R.) Part 391 – Qualification of Drivers, as follows:

• Twelve violations of 49 C.F.R. § 391.45(a) – Using a driver not medically examined and certified. The Company allowed drivers Robert Mitchell and John Mosby to operate a commercial motor vehicle without having a valid medical certificate on 12 occasions between June 5 and September 18, 2021.

On January 6, 2022, Spokane Limousine filed with the Commission its application for mitigation of penalties. In the request for mitigation, Katrina Wilson, office manager of Spokane Limousine, admits the violations, states the violations have been corrected, describes steps the Company has taken to prevent future occurrences, and asks that the penalties be reduced.

In response to the Company's request for mitigation, Spokane Limousine corrected the violations, implemented new procedures, and created a system that will inform management of expiring medical certificates to prevent recurrence. For these reasons, staff recommends the penalty of \$1.200 be reduced to \$600.

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If you have any questions, please contact Michael Dotson, Compliance Investigator, Transportation Safety, at (360) 480-5420, or by email at Michael.Dotson@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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