

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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## NOTICE DENYING REQUEST FOR HEARING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT REASON(S) IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR MITIGATION (By Wednesday, April 9, 2014)

RE: Mr. Randy Buchanan, Request for Mitigation of Penalty Assessment Docket PL-140180

## TO ALL PARTIES:

On March 4, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served Penalty Assessment PL-140180 against Mr. Randy Buchanan (Mr. Buchanan) in the amount of \$5,000, alleging violations of RCW 19.122.030, failure to call for a dig ticket prior to excavation.

On March 21, 2014, Mr. Buchanan filed with the Commission a request for hearing on the form provided by the Commission. Mr. Buchanan checked the box on that form indicating that he believes that the alleged violations did not occur for which penalties were assessed. The form, however, conditions the opportunity for hearing on Mr. Buchanan providing a written statement of the reasons he believes the alleged violations did not occur. Because Mr. Buchanan failed to provide a basis for its request for a hearing, the Commission denies that request. The Commission nevertheless will consider Mr. Buchanan's request for mitigation of the assessed penalty on the basis of a written submission of the reasons supporting such mitigation if the Commission receives that submission no later than one week from the date of this Notice.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That Mr. Randy Buchanan's request for hearing is denied.

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THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That the Commission will consider Mr. Randy Buchanan's request for mitigation provided Mr. Buchanan files a written statement of the reason(s) in support of its request by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2014.

GREGORY J. KOPTA Director, Administrative Law Division