

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Advance Environmental, Inc. D-143815 Penalty Assessment

Dear Mr. King:

On Dec. 9, 2014, Advance Environmental, Inc., (Advance Environmental) was issued a \$1,000 penalty for a violation of RCW 19.122. Advance Environmental had the option to have the penalty waived on the conditions that: (1) Advance Environmental attend "Dig Safe" training provided through the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA); and (2) that the company commit no further violations of RCW 19.122.030 within the next 12 months.

On Dec. 15, 2014, the commission received notification from Advance Environmental that the company admitted the violation occurred and accepted the commission's offer to waive the penalty on the stated conditions. The commission confirmed on Dec. 23, 2014, that the first condition of the penalty waiver was met as Advance Environmental attended the NUCA "Dig Safe" training on Dec. 18, 2014. In addition, on Dec. 9, 2015, commission staff confirmed that, according to commission records, Advance Environmental has committed no further violations of RCW 19.122.030 within the past 12 months. The second condition of the penalty waiver has been met.

As both conditions have been met, staff recommends the \$1,000 penalty issued against Advance Environmental be waived and the docket closed.

Sincerely,

Pat Hazzard, Director Safety and Consumer Protection