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## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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## NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY

RE: Rockymountain Stage Coach, Inc., Commission Staff's Request to Rescind Penalty

Assessment

Docket TE-170639

## TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 21, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Rockymountain Stage Coach, Inc. (Rockymountain or Company) in the amount of \$1,000, alleging violations of WAC 480-30-071 and 480-30-076, which require charter and excursion carrier companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1 each year.

On July 13, 2017, Rockymountain filed with the Commission a "Release of Authority for Cancellation," requesting to cancel its certificate. On July 17, the Company responded to the penalty assessment and requested mitigation of the penalty based on the written information provided. Rockymountain explained that it no longer conducts business in Washington.

On August 4, 2017, Commission staff (Staff) filed a response recommending the Commission rescind the \$1,000 penalty because Rockymountain's charter and excursion carrier certificate was cancelled on July 13, 2017, 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 Rockymountain.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Rockymountain Stage Coach, Inc. is withdrawn and Docket TE-170639 is closed.

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