

[Service Date January 12, 2007]

January 12, 2007

**NOTICE REQUIRING GENIE SERVICE COMPANY, INC.
D/B/A GENIE TOURS TO STATE REASONS IN SUPPORT OF ITS
APPLICATION FOR MITIGATION
(Due by January 25, 2007)**

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR STAFF RESPONSE
TO STATEMENT OF SUPPORT
(Due by February 8, 2007)**

**NOTICE OF HEARING
(Set for February 12, 2007, 1:30 p.m. - Seattle)**

Re: *Genie Service Company, Inc. d/b/a Genie Tours, Request for Mitigation of
Penalty Assessment, Docket TE-061753*

TO ALL PARTIES:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), on December 4, 2006, issued and served upon Genie Service Company, Inc. d/b/a Genie Tours (Genie Tours), Penalty Assessment No. TE-061753, assessing penalties in the amount of \$1,400 in connection with 14 violations of WAC 480-30-999. On December 11, 2006, Genie Tours filed with the Commission its request for hearing. Genie Tours admits the violations for which penalties were assessed, but asks that the penalty amount be reduced. Genie Tours, however, neither stated the specific reduction amount it believes would be appropriate nor provided any reason in support of its request.

Since Genie Tours admits to the violations, the Commission believes this matter may be conducted as a brief adjudicative proceeding in accordance with RCW 34.05.482 -- .494 and WAC 480-07-610. These statutes and rules may be accessed via the Commission Internet web pages at www.wutc.wa.gov or parties may obtain copies of the rules by contacting the Commission's Records Center at (360) 664-1234.

The hearing of which the Commission gives notice here will focus on whether the company can show mitigating circumstances that might warrant a reduction in penalties. It would be inefficient to proceed to hearing without an understanding of the reasons the company asserts in support of its request for reduction of the penalties assessed. Accordingly, the Commission requires that Genie Tours file a statement of the reason(s) it believes support a reduction in the penalties assessed.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That Genie Tours is required to file by January 25, 2007, a statement of the reasons it believes would justify a reduction in the penalties assessed in Penalty Assessment No. TE-061753. Genie Tours must also identify the amount of reduction in penalties it believes is justified by the mitigating circumstances it intends to show.

THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That Commission Staff may file a response to Genie Tours statement of support by February 8, 2007.

NOTICE TO PARTIES ABOUT FILING AND SERVING YOUR STATEMENTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS: 1. You must file your statement with the Commission by the date noticed, and you must include any other documents that you rely on in support of your statement. Except, you do *not* need to include the penalty assessment, the response to the penalty assessment, and Genie does not need to include any written material (such as rules or orders) that are publicly available on line if they are clearly described so they can be found easily. 2. You must also send a copy of your filing to the opposing party by overnight delivery when you send the original to the Commission.

THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That it will conduct a brief adjudicative proceeding in this matter at 1:30 p.m., on Monday, February 12, 2007, in the Olympic Room, 20th Floor, Office of Attorney General, 800 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington. Parties will be given the opportunity to make oral statements and may be asked to respond to questions. Any such testimony will be given under oath. Please appear on the teleconference bridge five minutes before the hearing is scheduled to begin.

Sincerely,

THEODORA M. MACE
Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE

Hearing facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Smoking is prohibited. If limited English-speaking, hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Carole J. Washburn, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

Docket : _____

Case Name: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

Primary Language: _____

Hearing Impaired (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter:

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English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: _____

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Phone No.: (____) _____