

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In re Application of

Go VIP, LLC d/b/a Go VIP Seattle

For a certificate to operate as a charter and  
excursion carrier

DOCKET TE-161295

NOTICE OF BRIEF  
ADJUDICATIVE PROCEEDING

SETTING TIME FOR ORAL  
STATEMENTS  
**(Set for April 20, 2017,  
at 9 a.m.)**

**INTRODUCTION**

- 1 On December 20, 2016, Steve Valentinetti, the owner and manager of Go VIP, LLC d/b/a Go VIP Seattle (Go VIP) filed with the Commission an application for a certificate authorizing Go VIP to operate as a charter party and excursion carrier in the state of Washington. Pursuant to WAC 480-30-096(2), Commission Staff (“Staff”) deferred consideration of Go VIP’s application until the company provided all the necessary information, including proof of insurance. Go VIP completed its application by submitting proof of insurance on March 21, 2017.
- 2 On April 4, 2017, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent to Deny Application for Certificate and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in this matter based on its review and investigation of the application. The Commission alleges that Go VIP’s owner, Steve Valentinetti, was owner and manager of two companies, AMI Coaches LLC (AMI) and Airline Shuttle Inc. (Airline Shuttle), both of which were engaged in providing substantially the same service that Go VIP seeks to provide. Both companies are listed by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration as out of service due to unsatisfactory safety ratings. The Commission alleges that companies owned and operated by Mr. Valentinetti have a history of violating federal regulations governing safe operations and insurance requirements. Further, the Commission alleges that Mr. Valentinetti incorporated Go VIP to evade the orders forbidding AMI and Airline Shuttle from operating and to mask or conceal the history of noncompliance by those companies.
- 3 On April 14, 2017, Go VIP filed with the Commission a Request for Hearing.
- 4 Pursuant to RCW 34.05.482 and WAC 480-07-610, the Commission determines that a brief adjudicative proceeding is appropriate for determining whether Go VIP’s

application for a charter party and excursion carrier certificate should be denied due to the concerns raised after Staff's review and investigation of the application.

- 5 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a brief adjudicative proceeding in this matter at 9 a.m., on Thursday, April 20, 2017, in Room 139, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**
- 6 The record in this case will consist of any documents regarding the matter that are considered by or prepared for the presiding officer for the brief adjudicative proceeding and a transcript of any oral statements given at the hearing, which statements will be given under oath.
- 7 Written notice of any other stage in the proceeding or other formal proceedings that the Commission may deem appropriate will be given during the course of this case. The Commission will provide at its offices in Olympia, Washington, copies of documents in the current record for use by the parties or others who may want to review them.
- 8 Parties wishing to submit any other documents for consideration at the brief adjudicative proceeding must file with the Commission a list enumerating and describing any such documents, as well as a list of any witnesses, **no later than 12 p.m. (noon) on Wednesday, April 19, 2017**, and bring an original and three (3) copies to the hearing. Filing shall be in accordance with WAC 480-07-140 and – 145.
- 9 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that any party who fails to attend or participate in the brief adjudicative proceeding set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**
- 10 The names and mailing addresses of all parties and their known representatives are shown as follows:

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*11* Administrative Law Judge Rayne Pearson, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective April 18, 2017.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING  
Executive Director and Secretary