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**NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY**

RE: Mt. Lassen Motor Transit, Inc., Commission Staff's Request to Rescind Penalty Assessment  
Docket TE-170631

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 20, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Mt. Lassen Motor Transit, Inc. (Mt. Lassen Motor Transit 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 August 1, 2017, Mt. Lassen Motor Transit filed with the Commission a "Release of Authority for Cancellation," requesting to cancel its certificate. Also on August 1, the Company responded to the penalty assessment and requested mitigation of the penalty based on the written information provided. Mt. Lassen Motor Transit 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 Mt. Lassen Motor Transit's charter and excursion carrier certificate was cancelled on August 1, 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 Mt. Lassen Motor Transit.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Mt. Lassen Motor Transit, Inc. is withdrawn and Docket TE-170631 is closed.**

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