Service Date: October 13, 2017

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Penalty Assessment DOCKET D-170657

Against

Rino Construction LLC ORDER 01

in the amount of \$16,000 GRANTING PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT

BACKGROUND

- On June 6, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) assessed a \$16,000 penalty (Penalty Assessment) against Rino Construction LLC (Rino Construction or Company) for three violations of RCW 19.122.
- The Penalty Assessment was received via certified mail by Rino Construction on June 8, 2017. The Penalty Assessment allowed 15 days from receipt to respond. The company failed to respond by the June 23, 2017, deadline.
- On October 9, 2017, Rino Construction submitted a letter to the Commission requesting to set up a payment arrangement.
- On October 12, 2017, Staff contacted the Executive Director and Secretary of the Commission explaining that the Company requested to pay the penalty in six monthly installments, and that Staff supports the request. The Company and Staff jointly propose the following payment schedule:

| November 15, 2017 | \$2,666 |
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| December 15, 2017 | \$2,666 |
| January 15, 2018 | \$2,666 |
| February 15, 2018 | \$2,666 |
| March 15, 2018 | \$2,666 |
| April 15, 2018 | \$2,666 |

5 Staff also proposes that if Rino Construction misses one payment, the entire balance will become due and payable immediately.

DISCUSSION

The installment payment schedule Staff and the Company propose is reasonable. The Commission approves the proposal with two modifications. First, that the final payment is due on Monday, April 16, 2018. Second, that Rino Construction may make additional payments in advance of the payment due dates or pay an increased amount on the due dates, but no additional payment or increased amount will relieve the Company of its obligation to make timely monthly installments until the full amount is satisfied.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 7 (1) The \$16,000 penalty is due and payable to the Commission in installments as set out in paragraph 4, above, with the exception of the final due date which is now April 16, 2018.
- 8 (2) If Rino Construction LLC fails to pay any installment by 5 p.m. on the date it is due, the unpaid balance will immediately become due and payable without further order by the Commission.
- 9 (3) DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 13, 2017.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING Executive Director and Secretary

NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.