## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against ALPHA OMEGA TOURS & CHARTERS, INC, in the Amount of \$100

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COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ALPHA OMEGA TOURS' APPLICATION FOR MITIGATION

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-370(1)(c), Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission Staff) submits this response<sup>1</sup> to Alpha Omega Tours' Application for Mitigation.

On February 23, 2009, the Commission assessed a penalty of \$100 against Alpha

Omega Tours & Charters, Inc. (Alpha Omega Tours) for violating WAC 480-30-071. Alpha

Omega Tours filed an Application for Mitigation on March 16, 2009. Commission Staff

opposes Alpha Omega Tours' Application for Mitigation for the reasons set forth in the

attached declaration of Sheri Hoyt.

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that this response does not come from the Commission but from Commission Staff. Commission Staff is a party in this case and is separate from the Commission. The Commission will be the ultimate decision maker in this matter. An Administrative Law Judge will consider Alpha Omega Tours' statements and Commission Staff's statements and will issue a decision. The Commission may accept, modify, or reject that decision.