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August 7, 2014

Steven V. King
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission
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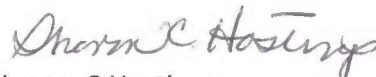
Dear Mr. King:

In a letter accompanying the Ephrata Senior Center's delinquent 2013 Annual Report for Private Nonprofit Special Needs Transportation Providers, we incorrectly requested a hearing to present further evidence regarding the \$1000 fine triggered by our delinquency. Being present in Olympia on August 26 at 9:30am, would present a significant hardship for our mostly volunteer senior center. We ask today to cancel the August hearing. Further, we wish to have our June 6th letter exclusively used at the material to mitigate our violation and the subsequent fine.

You will find a copy of our June 6, 2014 letter enclosed with this request letter.

Thank you for your kind attention. We again ask that you find it in your hearts to waive the significant penalty that we have been assessed.

Sincerely,



Sharon C Hastings
Director, Ephrata Senior Center

Enclosure

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June 2, 2014

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Dear Judges:

Attached please find the 2013 Annual Report for Private Nonprofit Special Needs Transportation Providers. We have included our credit card information specifying payment for 2013 along with both fines for missing the May 1 and May 31 deadlines. Also enclosed is the documentation showing that we paid our penalty for a late filing of our 2012 report.

Last week we received a notice of a \$1000 penalty for delinquent filing of both our 2012 and 2013 reports. This penalty will significantly hamper our financial ability to serve our seniors. We are a very small organization in rural Washington, largely staffed by volunteers. Our bookkeeper works for us fewer than 12 hours per month, and she has been remiss in filing reports like this because she runs out of time.

Fortunately, our filing delinquency is not as bad as suggested by the penalty letter. We did file a 2012 report—albeit late—but we did pay the penalty.

Please find it in your hearts to waive the significant penalty that we have been assessed. We are addressing our bookkeeping challenges and feel certain that next year we will file our report with you on time. The senior citizens of Ephrata will be very grateful if you allow us to spend our limited monies on services for them, rather than in a penalty to the state.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,



Raleigh Wyatt

Chair, Board of Trustees, Ephrata Senior Center

Enclosures