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NOTICE RESCINDING PENALTY

RE: In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against Matthew S. Crossette, Docket TV-140953

On June 4, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty assessment against Matthew S. Crossette (Matthew Crossette or Company), in the amount of \$1,000 for ten violations of WAC 480-15-480, which requires household goods carrier to furnish annual reports to the Commission by May 1 each year.

On June 24, 2014, Matthew Crossette responded to the Commission's penalty assessment and requested mitigation, but failed to provide a written statement to support its request.

On July 9, 2014, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a response recommending the Commission deny the Company's request for mitigation. Staff explained that the Company failed to provide a written statement supporting its request and, as of June 30, had not yet filed its annual report or paid its regulatory fee.

On July 14, 2014, the Commission entered Order 01, Order Denying Mitigation.

On August 3, 2014, Matthew Crossette contacted Staff requesting to voluntarily cancel its household goods operating permit. Staff initiated Docket TV-143092 to acknowledge Matthew Crossette's request to cancel its operating authority. The Commission cancelled Matthew Crossette's household goods permit and provisional operating authority in that docket by Order 01 dated August 12, 2014.

On September 15, 2014, Staff filed a letter with the Commission stating that since the Company may no longer operate within Washington, it requests the penalty assessment be rescinded.

Because the Company's household goods permit and provisional operating authority to operate as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington is cancelled, the assessed penalty for failure to timely file an annual report no longer furthers the Commission's goal of enforcing regulated companies' regulatory obligations. Accordingly, the Commission rescinds the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Matthew S. Crossette. This docket is closed.

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