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**NOTICE SUSPENDING DEADLINE TO RESPOND
TO PENALTY ASSESSMENT**

and

NOTICE REQUIRING FILING OF STATUS UPDATES

RE: *In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against Tri Cities Limo LLC, d/b/a Tri Cities Limo, in the Amount of \$2,500, Docket TE-190996*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On December 27, 2019, the Commission issued a \$2,500 penalty assessment (Penalty Assessment) against Tri Cities Limo LLC, d/b/a Tri Cities Limo, (Tri Cities Limo or Company) for violations of Chapter 480-30 Washington Administrative Code.

On January 10, 2020, Tri Cities Limo filed with the Commission a letter requesting an extension of time to respond to the Penalty Assessment. According to the Company's attorney, the Penalty Assessment was received "while an appeal is pending regarding the seating capacity determination for the vehicle alleged to have a capacity in excess of 16 passengers. If the outcome of the appeal is in Tri City [sic] Limo's favor, it will greatly impact the response to the Notice of Penalties."

On January 21, 2020, Commission staff (Staff) filed a response to the Company's letter stating that Staff does not oppose the Company's request for additional time to respond to the Penalty Assessment.

The Penalty Assessment includes a \$1,700 penalty for violations related to minimum insurance requirements for a Company vehicle that seats 16 or more passengers. Because the Company's appeal disputes the seating capacity of that vehicle, the appeal's outcome will impact the Company's response to the Penalty Assessment. Accordingly, the Commission finds good cause to grant the Company's request for an extension. To keep the Commission apprised of the

progress of the Company's appeal, Tri Cities Limo must file a report on the status of the appeal every 30 days, beginning February 24, 2020.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the deadline to respond to the Penalty Assessment in Docket TE-190996 is suspended until such time as Tri Cities Limo's appeal is resolved.

THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That Tri Cities Limo must file a report on the status of the appeal every 30 days. The first report is due by 5 p.m. on February 24, 2020.

/s/ Rayne Pearson

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