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## NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY

RE: Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc., Commission Staff's Request to Rescind Penalty Assessment

Docket UT-170443

## TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 26, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. (CCES or Company) in the amount of \$1,000, alleging violations of WAC 480-120-382, which requires telecommunications companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1 each year.

On August 15, 2017, Commission staff (Staff) filed with the Commission a Request to Rescind the Penalty Assessment. Staff explained that the Company did not become regulated until January 22, 2017, and is therefore not required to file an annual report for the 2016 reporting year.

Because no annual report was due and the Penalty Assessment was issued in error, the Commission withdraws the penalty assessed against CCES.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. is withdrawn and Docket UT-170443 is closed.

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