

STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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October 4, 2024

Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Renzenberger, Inc., d/b/a Hallcon

Commission Staff Recommendation to Impose Suspended Penalties of Order 01

Docket TH-220108

Dear Mr. Killip:

On April 6, 2022, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Granting Mitigation to \$20,000; Imposing and Suspending Penalties Subject to Conditions in Docket TH-220108. Order 01 granted Renzenberger, Inc., d/b/a Hallcon (Hallcon or Company) request for mitigation, assessed a penalty of \$20,000 and suspended a \$10,000 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Commission staff (Staff) conduct a focused review in two years or as soon thereafter as practicable to review the Company's compliance with 49 C.F.R. § 391;
- (2) Hallcon must not incur any repeat violations of 49 C.F.R. § 391.45(a) upon reinspection, and;
- (3) The Company must pay the \$10,000 portion of the penalty that is not suspended within 10 days of the effective date of the order.

On April 21, 2022, Hallcon paid the \$10,000 portion of the penalty that was not suspended in full.

On October 1, 2024, Staff completed the follow-up investigation as required in Order 01. During the investigation, Staff identified one repeat violation, with six occurrences, of 49 C.F.R. § 391.45(a) – Using a driver not medically examined and certified. These repeat violations occurred during the suspension period.

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Staff finds that Hallcon failed to satisfy each requirement of Order 01 by incurring repeat violations of 49 C.F.R. § 391.45(a) and recommends that the Commission impose the \$10,000 suspended penalty.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Sharp, Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor, Transportation Safety at jason.sharp@utc.wa.gov or at (360) 701-1603.

Sincerely,

Jason Sharp Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor