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Subject: Charter & Excursion Services in Washington - Response due March 6, 2015
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Importance: High

Mr. Bagby:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) received a complaint that you are offering charter and excursion services on your website (<http://www.blessedlimo.net/>) without the proper authority from the commission.

The attached flyer explains the various licensing requirements for limousine, for hire and charter and excursion companies operating in Washington. In order for you to legally provide these types of transportation, your company must be properly licensed. We understand that you do not currently have a limousine carrier license, so we have referred a copy of the complaint to the Department of Licensing for their follow-up. Larger vehicles, such as your hummer limousine and party bus, fall under our agency's jurisdiction as charter buses. Therefore, any passenger transportation services you provide within Washington State in these vehicles may require you to have authority from the commission.

Operating as a charter or excursion provider within Washington without the required certificate is illegal, is considered a gross misdemeanor, and is punishable as such (see [RCW 81.70.220](#) and [WAC 480-30-246](#)). Until and unless the commission grants your company the proper authority, you must cease providing charter and excursion services subject to commission regulation.

To avoid enforcement action by the commission, no later than March 6, 2015, you must either:

- Submit a completed **application**, file proof of insurance and include the application fee. For questions about the application process, please contact our Licensing Services staff at (360) 664-1170.

OR

- Explain in writing why you feel your business does not require a charter and excursion certificate from the commission. Please explain the nature of your company's operations in detail.

Please let me know if you have questions.

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