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

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Backbreakers NW, LLC Commission Staff Recommendation to Waive Suspended Penalties of Order 01 Docket TV-200152 and TV-200153 (consolidated)

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On April 10, 2022, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission entered Order 01, Consolidating Dockets; Approving Safety Management Plan; Upgrading Safety Rating; Imposing and Suspending Penalties Docket TV-200152 and TV-200153. Order 01 granted Backbreakers NW, LLC's, (Backbreakers) request for mitigation, reducing the assessed penalty of \$900 to \$450 and suspended a \$250 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Backbreakers must maintain a conditional safety rating;
- (2) Commission staff (Staff) conduct a follow-up investigation at least six months from the effective date of the Order; and
- (3) Backbreakers may not incur any repeat critical violations of WAC 480-15 upon reinspection.

On October 8, 2020, Backbreakers paid the \$200 portion of the penalty that was not suspended in full.

On November 6, 2020, Staff completed the required follow-up investigation as outlined in Order 01. Backbreakers did not receive repeat violations of WAC 480-15.

Staff finds that Backbreakers satisfied the conditions of Order 01 and recommends that the \$250 suspended penalty be waived.

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

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Sincerely,

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