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April 28, 2021

Mark L. Johnson Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Leavenworth Shuttle & Taxi, LLC*
Commission Staff Recommendation to Waive Suspended Penalties of Order 02/02/01
Dockets TE-161020, TE-161021, and TE-181030 (Consolidated)

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On April 16, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) entered Order 02/02/01, Initial Order Approving Settlement Agreement in Dockets TE-161020, TE-161021, and TE-181030 (Consolidated). Order 02/02/01 approved Commission staff's (staff) and Leavenworth Shuttle & Taxi, LLC's (Leavenworth Shuttle or company) settlement agreement following staff's complaint against the company for repeated safety violations. The order enforced a \$10,000 penalty that was suspended in Order 01 in consolidated Dockets TE-161020 and TE-161021, assessed an additional penalty of \$25,800, and suspended a \$20,000 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Leavenworth Shuttle must maintain a conditional safety rating;
- (2) The company may not incur any repeat critical violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-30-221 discovered during the November 2018 safety investigation upon reinspection in two years;
- (3) the company must pay the \$10,000 assessed penalty in consolidated Dockets TE-161020 and TE-161021 and the \$5,800 portion of the new penalty that is not suspended; and
- (4) Leavenworth Shuttle must comply with each step of any payment plan that the parties file or the commission orders.

On May 6, 2019, the company paid the \$15,800 assessed penalty in full.

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On April 26, 2021, staff completed the required follow-up investigation as outlined in Order 02/02/01. Leavenworth Shuttle received a satisfactory safety rating without incurring any repeat critical violations of WAC 480-30-221.

Staff finds that Leavenworth Shuttle satisfied the conditions of Order 02/02/01 and recommends that the \$20,000 suspended penalty be waived.

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,

Mathew Perkinson

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