

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of a Penalty Assessment Against	DOCKET TE-190932
VICKY SANDHU d/b/a SEATTLE TOP CLASS LIMO	ORDER 02
in the amount of \$3,800	GRANTING PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT

BACKGROUND

- 1 On November 20, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) assessed a \$3,800 penalty (Penalty Assessment) against Vicky Sandhu, d/b/a Seattle Top Class Limo, (Seattle Top Class Limo or Company) for 24 violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-30-191, Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Insurance; and WAC 480-30-221, Vehicle and Driver Safety Requirements, which adopts by reference sections of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (49 C.F.R.) Part 382 – Controlled Substance and Alcohol Use and Testing, and 49 CFR Part 393 – Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation.
- 2 On March 16, 2020, the Commission entered Order 02, Granting Mitigation, in Part, Imposing and Suspending Penalty (Order 01). Order 01 imposed a \$3,050 penalty, a \$2,500 portion of which will be suspended for two years, and then waived, subject to the conditions that Seattle Top Class Limo not incur any repeat violations for a period of two years and pay the remaining \$550 of the penalty within 10 days of the effective date of Order 01.
- 3 On March 20, 2020, Commission staff (Staff) contacted the Executive Director and Secretary of the Commission explaining that the Company requested to pay the penalty in five monthly installments, beginning on June 22, 2020, and that Staff supports the request. In its letter, Staff states that the delayed initial payment is intended to account for the economic instability resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. The proposed payment arrangement is as follows:

Installment	Due Date	Amount
1	June 22, 2020	\$110
2	July 22, 2020	\$110

3	August 24, 2020	\$110
4	September 22, 2020	\$110
5	October 22, 2020	\$110

- 4 Staff also proposes that if Seattle Top Class Limo misses one payment, the entire balance will become due and payable immediately.

DISCUSSION

- 5 The installment payment schedule Staff and the Company propose is reasonable. The Commission approves the proposal with one modification. Seattle Top Class Limo may make additional payments in advance of the payment due dates or pay an increased amount on the due dates, but no additional payment or increased amount will relieve the Company of its obligation to make its timely monthly installment until the full amount of \$550 is satisfied.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 6 (1) The \$550 penalty is due and payable to the Commission in installments as set out in paragraph 3, above.
- 7 (2) If Vicky Sandhu, d/b/a Seattle Top Class Limo, fails to pay any installment by 5 p.m. on the date it is due, the unpaid balance will immediately become due and payable without further order by the Commission.
- 8 The Secretary has been delegated authority to enter this order on behalf of the Commissioners under WAC 480-07-904(1)(h).

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective March 24, 2020.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



MARK L. JOHNSON
Executive Director and Secretary

NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.