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Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
P.O. Box 47250  
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Kastl Express LLC*  
Commission Staff Recommendation to Waive Suspended Penalties of Order 01  
Dockets TV-210939 and TV-210940 (Consolidated)

Dear Mr. Killip:

On January 25, 2022, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01 (Order) in Dockets TV-210939 and TV-210940 (Consolidated). The Order approved Kastl Express LLC's (Kastl Express or Company) safety management plan; upgraded the Company's safety rating to conditional and extended the provisional household goods period. The Order further assessed a \$3,850 penalty against Kastl Express and suspended a \$2,000 portion of the assessed penalty for a period of two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Commission staff (Staff) must conduct a follow-up investigation at least six months from the date of the Order;
- b) The Company may not incur any repeat critical violations upon re-inspection; and
- c) Kastl Express pays the \$1,850 portion of the penalty that is not suspended.

On June 1, 2022, Staff completed the required follow-up investigation. During the investigation, Staff identified critical-type violations, however, the violations did not demonstrate a pattern as required to be considered a critical violation. Kastl Express achieved a satisfactory safety rating and did not receive repeat critical violations.

On August 31, 2022, the Company paid the \$1,850 portion of the penalty that was not suspended.

Staff finds that Kastl Express satisfied the conditions of the Order and recommends that the \$2,000 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](mailto:Jason.Sharp@utc.wa.gov) or at (360) 701-1603.

Sincerely,

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