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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
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Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. East County Senior Center*  
Commission Staff's Confirmation of Compliance with Order 01  
Docket TN-170157

Dear Mr. King:

On March 15, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty against East County Senior Center (ECSC) in the amount of \$9,800 for 102 critical violations of WAC 480-31-130 Operation of Motor Vehicles, which requires private, non-profit transportation providers to comply with Title 49 CFR Part 391 – Qualifications of Drivers; and CFR Part 396 – Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance.

On April 3, 2017, the Commission received an application for mitigation of penalties from ECSC. On April 13, 2017, the Commission issued Order 01 denying ECSC's request for mitigation and granted staff's recommendation to allow ECSC to pay \$1,800 of the penalty amount and suspend the remaining \$8,000 for a period of one year, and then waive it, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) ECSC may not incur any repeat violations of critical regulations upon re-inspection in one year, and
- 2) ECSC must either pay the \$1,800 portion of the penalty that is not suspended or file jointly with Staff a mutually agreeable arrangement no later than April 27, 2017.

Staff has confirmed that both conditions in Order 01 have been met. On April 21, 2017, ECSC paid the \$1,800 portion of the penalty that was not suspended. In addition, on April 4, 2018, Commission Motor Carrier Investigator Sandi Yeomans conducted a re-inspection of ECSC and found no repeat violations of critical regulations.

Staff recommends the suspended \$8,000 penalty amount against ECSC be permanently waived and the docket closed.

Sincerely,

Bridgit Feeser  
Assistant Director, Consumer Protection