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July 27, 2016

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Amy's Limousine Service, LLC

Commission Staff's Response to Application for Mitigation of Penalties TE-160677

Dear Mr. King:

On June 20, 2016, the Utilities and Transportation Commission issued a \$1,000 Penalty Assessment in Docket TE-160677 against Amy's Limousine Service, LLC for ten violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC 480-30-071 and 480-30-076), which requires charter and excursion carrier companies to furnish annual reports, supporting documentation and the regulatory fee to the commission no later than May 1 each year, or in this case, May 2 as May 1 was a Sunday.

On July 19, 2016, Amy's Limousine Service, LLC wrote the commission requesting mitigation of penalties. In its mitigation request, Amy's Limousine Service, LLC. does not dispute the violation occurred. The company states, "...Filed a Biennial Report online 2/26/2016. Inspection/Audit 4/4/2016 – Onsite, passed satisfactory. Address not changed per 2014 annual report requested. Notice received 7/7/2016."

It is the company's responsibility to ensure that the regulatory fee is paid and the annual report is filed by the May 1 deadline. On February 29, 2016, Annual Report packets were mailed to all regulated charter and excursion companies. The instruction page informs the regulated company that it must complete the annual report form pay the regulatory fees, and return the materials by May 2, 2016, to avoid enforcement action.

The commission did not receive the annual report, nor the regulatory fee prior to May 2. Amy's Limousine Service, LLC filed their 2014 annual report with a different address, however, the company did not indicate that their mailing address should be updated. The Biennial report was filed with the U.S. Department of Transportation on February 26, 2016, not the UTC. Commission staff completed an inspection in April. However, it is the company's responsibility

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to ensure that the regulatory fee is paid and the annual report is filed by the May 1 deadline. Amy's Limousine Service, LLC provided a complete annual report and paid the regulatory fee on July 20, 2016.

Amy's Limousine Service, LLC became active in 2014 and filed the 2014 annual report late. Amy's Limousine Service, LLC paid the \$1,000 penalty in full. Due to the prior violation of WAC 480-30-071 and 480-030-076, staff does not support any mitigation of the penalty.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact Sean Bennett, Regulatory Analyst, at (360) 664-1157, or sbennett@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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