## **BEFORE THE WASHINGTON**

## **UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the matter of the suspension of passenger transportation company certificate C-992 held by  HECKMAN MOTORS, INC.,  d/b/a OLYMPIC BUS LINES; BUDGET RENT A CAR OF PORT ANGELES,    for failure to file proof of liability  and property damage insurance covering equipment  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  )  ) | DOCKET TC-141027  ORDER 01  ORDER SUSPENDING CERTIFICATE |

##### **BACKGROUND**

1. Passenger transportation companies operating in the state of Washington, subject to regulation by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), must file and maintain proof of liability and property damage insurance.
2. On February 28, 2014, the Commission notified Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles, (Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles), that its certificate to operate as a passenger transportation company in Washington would be suspended if the Company’s insurance company did not file with the Commission acceptable proof of insurance.
3. The Commission also told Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles that it could contest suspension of its certificate by requesting a hearing within ten (10) days of the date the notice was served.
4. The Commission has not received proof of insurance and Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles did not request a hearing.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

1. (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington with authority to regulate passenger transportation companies as defined in RCW 81.68.
2. (2) Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles is a passenger transportation company operating in Washington State under certificate C-992.
3. (3) Under RCW 81.68.060, passenger transportation companies engaged in intrastate operations in Washington that are not qualified as self-insurers under RCW 81.68.065 and WAC 480-30-201 must maintain liability and property damage insurance, or a surety bond, on each vehicle in use and file each policy with the Commission. Specific insurance maintenance and filing requirements are set forth at WAC 480-30-191.
4. (4) On February 28, 2014, the Commission received notice that Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles’s insurance would be cancelled effective May 14, 2014.
5. (5) The Commission may suspend a passenger transportation company’s certificate if the company’s insurance filing is cancelled and the company does not file evidence of continuous coverage before the cancellation effective date. *See RCW 81.68.030; WAC 480-30-196(2); WAC 480-30-171(1)(a*).
6. (6) As of the effective date of cancellation for Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles’s insurance, the Commission had not received proof of the required insurance.

###### ORDER

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. (1) The passenger transportation company certificate C-992, held by Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles, is suspended for a period of 30 days starting on the service date of this Order. Suspension means that Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles, must **cease** all operations associated with this certificate until the Commission receives acceptable proof of the required insurance and enters an order lifting the suspension.
2. (2) Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles, must file proof of sufficient liability and property insurance with the Commission by the end of the suspension period or the Commission will cancel the certificate.
3. (3) Heckman Motors, Inc., d/b/a Olympic Bus Lines; Budget Rent a Car of Port Angeles, may contest cancellation of certificate C-992, by requesting a hearing within 10 days of service of this Order. A hearing request does not affect the suspension of your certificate.
4. The Commission has delegated authority to the Secretary, or the Secretary’s delegate, to enter this Order under RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-905(6)(d), and Order 01 in Docket A-090485.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, effective May 14, 2014.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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**NOTICE:** This is an order delegated to the Secretary, or the Secretary’s delegate, for decision. In addition to serving you a copy of the decision, the Commission will post on its Internet Web site for at least 14 days a listing of all matters delegated to the Secretary for decision. You may seek Commission review of this decision. You must file a request for Commission review of this order no later than fourteen (14) days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission’s Web site.

The Commission will schedule your request for review by issuing a notice of hearing to be held before an administrative law judge. The Commission, at its discretion, may consider your request for review in an adjudicative proceeding under RCW 34.05 Part IV, or in a brief adjudicative proceeding under RCW 34.05.482 through .494. Following hearing, the administrative law judge will enter an initial order. If you wish to seek review of the initial order, you may file a petition for administrative review under RCW 34.05.464, or if the matter is heard in a brief adjudicative proceeding, under RCW 34.05.491.

The Commission will grant a late-filed request for review only on a showing of good cause, including a satisfactory explanation of why the person did not timely file the request. A form for late-filed requests is available on the Commission’s Web site.

This notice and review process is pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-904(2) and (3), and WAC 480-07-905, as amended effective September 22, 2008.