

STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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RE: In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against Van Hoof Construction, LLC, in the Amount of \$21,000, Docket D-180716

TO ALL PARTIES:

On October 16, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty assessment (Penalty Assessment) against Van Hoof Construction, LLC, (Van Hoof or Company) in the Amount of \$21,000 for five violations of RCW 19.122.030(2). In the Penalty Assessment, the Commission offered the Company the option to suspend, and ultimately waive, \$15,000 of the penalty subject to the following conditions: (1) the Company pay \$6,000 of the penalty and notify the Commission that the Company accepted the offer within 15 days after receiving the Penalty Assessment; (2) Company employees, including owner and field supervisors involved in excavations, attend Dig Safe training provided through the National Utility Contractor Association and submit documentation of attendance within five days of attending; and (3) the Company commit no further violations of RCW 19.122 within 12 months of the date of the Penalty Assessment.

On November 1, 2018, the Company notified the Commission it accepted the conditions, and on October 30, 2019, Commission staff (Staff) filed a letter informing the Commission that Van Hoof had met all of the conditions. In its letter, Staff recommended the \$15,000 suspended portion of the penalty be waived.

The Commission agrees that Van Hoof has complied with the conditions of the penalty suspension. The \$15,000 suspended portion of the penalty is thus waived, and this docket is closed.

MARK L. JOHNSON Executive Director and Secretary