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May 2, 2018

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Ride the Ducks of Seattle, L.L.C.
d/b/a Seattle Duck Tours*
Docket TE-151906

TO ALL PARTIES:

On May 3, 2016, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 08, Order Approving Settlement Agreement with Conditions, resolving the complaint the Commission staff (Staff) brought against Ride the Ducks of Seattle, LLC d/b/a Seattle Duck Tours (RTD or Company) alleging multiple violations of safety regulations. Among other conditions, the Commission assessed a penalty of \$308,000 against the Company and suspended \$152,000 of that amount on the following conditions: (1) RTD commit no new violations of the regulations at issue in this docket for 24 months after the date of the Order; and (2) the Company pay the \$156,000 that the Commission did not suspend within the same 24 month period according to the payment plan specified in the Order.

On April 27, 2018, Staff filed a letter informing the Commission of the results of Staff's review of the Company's compliance with these conditions. Staff states that it conducted three follow-up comprehensive safety investigations of RTD's operations over the last two years and found no acute, critical, or repeat violations of safety regulations. In addition, the Company has made timely payments under the payment plan and has paid in its entirety the \$156,000 of the penalty the Commission did not suspend. Staff, therefore, recommends that the Commission waive the \$152,000 suspended portion of the penalty the Commission assessed.

The Commission has reviewed the record in this docket and agrees that RTD has complied with the conditions on which the Commission suspended \$152,000 of the assessed penalty in Order 08. Accordingly, the Commission waives the suspended portion of the penalty. No further penalty payment is due or owing in this docket.

MARK L. JOHNSON
Executive Director and Secretary