October 31, 2006

Ms. Jennifer Cameron-Rulkowski Assistant Attorney General Counsel for Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504

RE: Penalty Assessment TE-061282

Dear Ms. Cameron-Rulkowski:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) scheduled this matter for a brief adjudicative proceeding and required Monroe Transportation Ltd. d/b/a Chinook Charter Service (Chinook) to file a statement of the reasons it believed would justify a reduction in the penalties assessed. On October 25, 2006, Chinook waived its right to a hearing, filed a statement of reasons in support of penalty reduction, and requested an administrative decision in lieu of hearing. On October 25, 2006, the Commission issued a notice cancelling the hearing.

The Commission Staff (Staff) has not had an opportunity to respond to the statement in support of penalty reduction filed by Chinook. Accordingly, Staff may file a **response by November 13, 2006**.

The statement filed by Chinook, as well as any response filed by Staff, will be considered before issuing an administrative decision.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Executive Secretary

cc: Monroe Transportation