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September 22, 2020

Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Exotours, LLC, d/b/a Exobus*
Commission Staff's Recommendation to Waive Suspended Penalties of Order 02
Docket TE-180826

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On November 14, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 02, which assessed Exotours, LLC, d/b/a Exobus, (Exobus or Company) a penalty of \$10,000 for operating as a charter or excursion carrier without the required certificate from the Commission. Order 02 further suspended a \$9,500 portion of the penalty for a period of two years on the conditions that: (1) the Company refrains from further operations as a charter or excursion carrier without first obtaining the required certificate, and (2) Exobus pays the \$500 portion of the penalty that is not suspended in accordance with the approved payment schedule.

On November 14, 2018, Exobus was granted charter and excursion authority from the Commission. On February 19, 2019, the Company paid the \$500 penalty in full.

On June 29, 2020, the Company's charter and excursion authority from the Commission was canceled for failure to submit acceptable proof of insurance. Since its cancellation, the Company has refrained from operating as a charter or excursion carrier and has deactivated its website and announced through social media that it has permanently ceased operations. Staff finds that Exobus satisfied the conditions of Order 02 and recommends that the \$9,500 suspended penalty be waived.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Hoxit, Compliance Investigator, Transportation Safety, at (360) 867-8305, or by email at Jason.Hoxit@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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