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RE: In the Matter of Determining the Proper Carrier Classification of, and Complaint for

Penalties Against Exotours, LLC, d/b/a Exobus,

Docket TE-180826

TO ALL PARTIES:

On November 14, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 02, Stipulated Initial Order Classifying Respondent as Charter Party or Excursion Service Carrier; Ordering Respondent to Cease and Desist; Imposing and Suspending Penalties on Condition of Future Compliance (Order 02) against Exotours, LLC, d/b/a Exobus, (Exobus or Company). Order 02 imposed a penalty of \$10,000 against Exobus, \$9,500 of which was suspended for two years, to be waived thereafter, subject to the conditions that: a) Exobus refrain from operating as a charter party or excursion carrier in Washington without first obtaining the required certificate, and b) Exobus pay the \$500 portion of the penalty that was not suspended according to the approved payment schedule.

On September 22, 2020, Staff filed a letter in this docket informing the Commission that the Company had timely paid the \$500 portion of the penalty that was not suspended and that Staff believes the Company has refrained from operating as a charter party or excursion service carrier without a certificate. The Company's was granted charter and excursion authority on November 14, 2018, and canceled in June 29, 2020, for failure to submit acceptable proof of insurance. In its letter, Staff states that the Company has since refrained from operating as a charter or excursion carrier and has deactivated its website and announced its closure. Staff recommends the suspended penalty be waived.

The Commission finds that Exobus has complied with the conditions of Order 02. The \$9,500 portion of the penalty that was suspended is now waived, and this docket is closed.

MARK L. JOHNSON Executive Director and Secretary