

[Service Date May 4, 2012]

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RE: In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against Beeline Tours, Ltd.
Docket TE-110155

TO ALL PARTIES:

On May 11, 2011, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued Order 01, Initial Order Approving Settlement Agreement (Order 01). Order 01 approved a Settlement Agreement between Beeline Tours, Ltd. (Beeline) and Commission Staff (Staff) in which Beeline agreed to a penalty of \$3,300, of which \$2,000 would be suspended on two conditions: (a) Beeline had to avoid any repeat violations of WAC 480-30-221 and 49 CFR 391.45(b)(1); and (b) Beeline had to maintain a safety rating above “conditional” or “unsatisfactory” for the entire year. Order 01 required Staff to conduct a review of Beeline’s business practices on or before Friday, May 4, 2012, and recommend to the Commission’s Executive Director and Secretary whether the suspended penalty should be imposed or waived in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

On May 2, 2012, Staff filed a letter with the Commission stating that Staff conducted a compliance review of Beeline’s business operations on April 17, 2012. Staff found no repeat violations of WAC 480-30-221 and 49 CFR 391.45(b) (1). Staff also confirmed that Beeline paid the \$1,300 penalty, and has maintained its company safety rating to avoid a “conditional” or “unsatisfactory” rating for a full year.

The Commission finds that Beeline Tours, Ltd. has complied with the conditions under which the Commission suspended \$2,000 of the \$3,300 penalty assessment. The Commission, therefore, will permanently waive enforcement and collection of the \$2,000 suspended portion of the assessment and close the docket in this matter.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER
Executive Director and Secretary