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PLEASE NOTE: You must complete and sign this document, and send it to the Commission within 15 days after you receive the penalty assessment. Use additional paper if needed. WASH. UT. & TP COMM

I have read and understand RCW 9A.72.020 (printed below), which states that making false statements under oath is a class B felony. I am over the age of 18, am competent to testify to the matters set forth below and I have personal knowledge of those matters. I hereby make, under oath, the following statements.

[] 1. Payment of penalty. I admit that the violations occurred. I have:

[] Enclosed \$1,800 in payment of the penalty

[] Submitted my payment of \$1,800 online at www.utc.wa.gov. My confirmation number is _____.

[] 2. Request for a hearing. I believe that one or more of the alleged violations did not occur, based on the following information, and request a hearing, which is a process that allows an affected person to present argument to an administrative law judge for a decision by an administrative law judge:

[X] 3. Application for mitigation. I admit the violations, but I believe that the penalty should be reduced for the reason(s) set out below.

[] a) I ask for a hearing for a decision by an administrative law judge based on the information presented above.

OR [] b) I waive a hearing and ask for an administrative decision on the information I presented directly above.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing, including information I have presented on any attachments, is true and correct.

Dated: 8/8/13 [month/day/year], at Los Angeles, CA [city, state]

Joshua Ploude
Name of Respondent (company) - please print

[Signature]
Signature of Applicant

RCW 9A.72.020:

"Perjury in the first degree. (1) A person is guilty of perjury in the first degree if in any official proceeding he makes a materially false statement which he knows to be false under an oath required or authorized by law. (2) Knowledge of the materiality of the statement is not an element of this crime, and the actor's mistaken belief that his statement was not material is not a defense to a prosecution under this section. (3) Perjury in the first degree is a class B felony."

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My apologies for the late filing, I am the sole operator of Ethos Communications Group, Inc. and I was out of town working with a client when the filing was due. I admit the violations but respectfully request that the penalty be reduced. The business cannot sustain a \$1800 penalty and the business no longer has customers in the state of Washington. Please let me know if the penalty can be reduced and I will reply in a timely manner. For any questions I can be reached at 310-500-5674.

Thanks,

Josh Ploude

Ethos Communications Group, Inc.