

June 6, 2015

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket UT-150867 Notice of Penalties Incurred Due For Violation of Laws and Rules

**Dear Commission:** 

I've received the Docket Number UT-150867 listed above regarding a penalty for the late filing of X5 Solutions, Inc.'s 170 Telecommunications Annual Report.

On March 24, 2015 X5 Solutions Inc. was acquired. The company no longer exists and there are no employee's. I have processed the annual report and filed it online Saturday, June 6, 2015 with credit card information for the payment of the regulatory fee.

I would request that the penalties be waived due to the fact that the company no longer exists and there were no employees on staff to facilitate this requirement. I have also included the request for cancellation of registration form. You can contact me through <a href="mailto:x55barb@gmail.com">x55barb@gmail.com</a> with any questions you may have.

I appreciate your consideration to the request.

Best Regards,

Barbara Meyer

206-795-2034 (Mobile)

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#### WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

#### PENALTY ASSESSMENT UT-150867

**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.

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 \$	] Enclosed \$ in payment of the penalty			
	[ ] Submitted my payment of \$  My confirmation number is		online at www.u	online at www.utc.wa.gov.	
[ ] 2.	<b>Request for a hearing.</b> I believe that one or more of the alleged violations did not occur, for the reasons I describe below, and I request a hearing based on those reasons for a decision by an administrative law judge:				
[√] 3.	Application for mitigation. I admit the violations, but I believe that the penalty should be reduced for the reasons set out below:  business was acquired 3/24/15. Please see lefter attached				
OR		hearing to present evidence strative law judge for a decision commission decision based			
		jury under the laws of the S presented on any attachmen		foregoing,	
XE	5 Solutions, In		Dat	city, state]	
Name o	f Respondent (compa	ny) – please print	Signature of Applicant		
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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."

## WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# NOTICE OF PENALTIES INCURRED AND DUE FOR VIOLATIONS OF LAWS AND RULES

PENALTY ASSESSMENT: UT-150867 PENALTY AMOUNT: \$1,000

X5 SOLUTIONS, INC. 1301 5TH AVE., SUITE 2301 SEATTLE, WA 98101

According to Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) records, you have violated Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-120-382, which requires telecommunications companies to file your annual report and pay regulatory fees each year by May 1. You did not file an annual report or pay regulatory fees by May 1, 2015.

Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 80.04.080 authorizes the Commission to assess a penalty of \$100 for each violation of a Commission rule. In the case of a continuing violation, every day's continuance is a separate and distinct violation. The Commission interprets noncompliance with WAC 480-120-382 beyond May 1 as a continuing violation, and assesses penalties of \$100 for each day a company fails to file its report or pay its regulatory fees after that date.

As a result, the Commission has assessed penalties against you in the amount of \$1,000 on the following basis:

On February 27, 2015, the Commission mailed the 2014 annual report forms and the 2015 regulatory fee packets to all telecommunications companies registered in Washington. The instructions page for the annual report form instructed these companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1, 2015. The instructions page also stated that failure to file the annual report by May 1 would result in penalties. The deadline for requesting an extension to file your annual report was April 15. You did not request an extension.

As of May 15, 2015, X5 Solutions, Inc. has not filed its 2014 annual report or paid its 2015 regulatory fee. May 15 is 10 business days from May 1, resulting in a total penalty of \$1,000.

Your penalty is due and payable now. If you believe the violation did not occur, you may request a hearing to contest the penalty assessment. The Commission will grant that request only if material issues of law or fact require consideration of evidence and resolution in a hearing. A request for a hearing must include a written statement of the reasons supporting that request. Failure to provide such a statement will result in denial of the request.

If there is a reason for the violation that you think should excuse or reduce the penalty, you may ask for mitigation (reduction) of this penalty through evidence presented at a hearing or in writing. The Commission will grant a request for a hearing only if material issues of law or fact require consideration of evidence and resolution in a hearing. Any request for mitigation must include a written statement of the reasons supporting that request. Failure to provide such a statement will result in denial of the request. See RCW 80.04.405.

If you properly present your request for a hearing and the Commission grants that request, the Commission will review the evidence supporting your dispute of the violation or application for mitigation in a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding, before an administrative law judge. The administrative law judge will consider the evidence and will notify you of his or her decision.

## You must act within 15 days after receiving this notice to do one of the following:

- Pay the amount due.
- Request a hearing to contest the occurrence of the violations.
- Request mitigation to contest the amount of the penalty.

Please indicate your selection on the enclosed form and send it to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Post Office Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250, within FIFTEEN (15) days after you receive this notice.

If you do not act within 15 days, the Commission may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General for collection, which may file suit in state court to collect the penalty. The Commission may also initiate proceedings under WAC 480-121-060 to revoke your authority to provide telecommunications services in Washington.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective June 5, 2015.

GREGORY J. KOPTA Administrative Law Judge