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## PENALTY ASSESSMENT TE-160224

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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.

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.

- [ ] 2. Contest the violation. I believe that the alleged violation did not occur for the reasons I describe below:
  - [ ] a) I ask for a hearing to present evidence on the information I provide above to an administrative law judge for a decision
  - OR [] b) I ask for a Commission decision based solely on the information I provide above.
- [] 3. Application for mitigation. I admit the violation, but I believe that the penalty should be reduced for the reasons set out below:
  - [ ] a) I ask for a hearing to present evidence on the information I provide above to an administrative law judge for a decision
  - b) I ask for a Commission decision based solely on the information I provide 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.

2016 [month/day/year], at \_\_\_\_\_\_ Dated: [city, state] Name of Respondent (company) - please print Signature of Applicant

JIMMY'S DISCOUNT MUFFLER, BRAKE, & RADIATOR JIMMY'S LIMOUSINE 4524 PACIFIC AVENUE SOUTHEAST LACEY WA 98503

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION P.O. BOX 47250 OLYMPIA WA 98504-7250 PENALTY ASSESSMENT: TE160224

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In response to the letter of violations and penalties we received on March 3, 2016, I respectfully request that the amount of penalties be excused and /or reduced for the reasons below:

Jimmy's Limousines was notified by the WUTC that a review of policies/standards would take place on Dec 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015, by Motor Carrier Investigator Mr. Wayne Gilbert. On his arrival we had what we assumed were the required documents and information needed for this inspection from previous years. As Mr. Gilbert conducted this inspection we were told that more information was needed to be received and he would follow up by giving this company more time to adhere to these issues.

Mr. Gilbert set a new date of December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016, and more information was present to him. As he performed his duties of taking current information provided he stated he would follow up a short time later. At the completion, we were given additional information which I was never given specifically in the past inspections, which resulted mostly in verbal acknowledgements.

Mr. Gilbert returned approximately two weeks later and we went over many other issues to comply with the policies required. We also received a booklet of all forms and proper policy operations of this service and are currently updating these issues to include: Driver Safety, Controlled Substances and Alcohol use, CDL's, and other qualifications.

Mr. Gilbert was impressed with the added documents he received to further comply with policies.

In regard to CFR Part 382.115 (a) we are in communications with US HEALTH Center to drug and alcohol testing.

On CFR Part 383.37 (b) all drivers who drive our Commercial vehicles are now completely qualified under the provisions of WUTC.

On CFR Part 391.45 (a) all drivers are currently certified by medically examined personal and will maintain annual certification.

On CFR Part 396.3 all maintenance records of our Commercial vehicles are maintained as each is performed.

The violations/penalties I assure you were not intentional and I will enforce the required responsibilities in the future.

Jimmy's Limousines have always tried to hire the most professional personnel with years of experience of 15 years or more and no violations/accidents of Commercial Vehicles in the past.

We have had yearly WSP vehicle inspections without incidents and have always passed proper inspections according to State Law.

Again, I respectfully ask that a reduction and/or excuse of said penalties be applied since we have followed up on many compliances required by WUTC.

Thank you for your concern in this matter.

Sincerely,

JAMES PALMER James Pal