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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary  
Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. C Stone Excavating Corp.*  
Commission Staff's Request to Dismiss Penalty and Close Docket.  
Docket DG – 160897

Dear Mr. King:

On July 28, 2016, the Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) issued a \$1,000 Penalty Assessment in Docket DG – 160897, against C Stone Excavating Corporation (Stone Excavating or company). The penalty was for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(1)(a), for failing to obtain a valid locate prior to performing an excavation on Nov. 10, 2015.

On August 30, 2016, the Penalty Assessment was returned to the commission marked “return to sender – unclaimed – unable to forward.” Staff attempted to find a new address for the company but was unable to locate one. Staff was informed in a previous conversation with company owner Doug Stone that he was no longer in business and he was moving to the Seattle area to seek new employment in a different profession.

Staff was able to confirm that Stone Excavating's contractor license was suspended by the Department of Labor & Industries on April 28, 2016, for failing to meet their licensing requirements. Staff research indicates that Stone Excavating is no longer operating and the business is closed. Staff believes that since the company was never officially served the penalty assessment, and appears to be no longer operating, is a reasonable justification for dismissing the penalty.

Staff recommends that the commission dismiss the \$1,000 penalty that was assessed on July 28, 2016, against Stone Excavating and close docket D – 160897.

Sincerely,

Alan E. Rathbun  
Pipeline Safety Director