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RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. American Water Resources, Docket No. UW-031284, et al Penalty assessment against Virgil Fox, Docket No. UW-031596,

Dear Mr. Finnigan,

On November 10, 2004, the Commission received a letter requesting that Mr. Fox be allowed to pay the penalty assessed against him in this matter over a four month period of time, rather than pay the full amount within 15 days of entry of the order as ordered by the Commission. The letter was not accompanied by a request for a stay of the order. According to the order, the full penalty amount of \$3,700 will be due November 16, 2004.

This letter is to inform you that the Commissioners are not available to consider the request of an alternative penalty payment schedule or a stay, prior to the payment due date.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Executive Secretary