

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Determining the Proper
Carrier Classification of, and Complaint
for Penalties against:

PRO MOVERS LLC d/b/a GROOVIN
MOVIN

DOCKET TV-180798

DECLARATION OF
BRIAN BRAUN

Brian Braun, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) as a Compliance Investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a Compliance Investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate household goods carriers that may be operating without the required Commission permit.
2. On June 14, 2018, I received an email concerning the operations of Groovin Movin, a business that was moving and transporting household goods. That email included information that the “guys [sic] name is Andrey and his cell phone number is 360-487-6564.”¹
3. On June 14, 2018, I searched Commission records and verified that Groovin Movin was not a permitted household goods carrier. The records indicated that the Groovin Movin had previously been permitted, and the owner’s name was Andrey Goncharuk.
4. On July 30, 2018, I visited the website groovinmovin.com and saw advertisements for “Truck & Labor, Two Man \$240 an hour” and that the company was located at 3101 Northeast 138th Avenue, Vancouver, Washington, 98682, and had a telephone number of (360) 612-0090.²
5. On July 31, 2018, a compliance letter was sent to Pro Movers LLC d/b/a Groovin Movin 3101 Northeast Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682, notifying the company to cease and desist operations as a household goods carrier in Washington State until it obtains the required household goods carrier permit from the Commission.³

¹ See Attachment A for email received on June 14, 2018

² See Attachment B for a copy of the Washington Secretary of State’s Business Information, printed on July 30, 2018.

³ See Attachment C for a copy of compliance letter, dated July 31, 2018.

6. On Sept. 11, 2018, I called (360) 612-0090, using an assumed name, to obtain a quote for a moving services, including workers and a truck. I asked who I was speaking with and the person identified herself as Angela. I was quoted, "\$60/hour per person and \$2.50 a mile from their warehouse until the return to their warehouse for two men and a 24 foot truck."

DATED this 22 day of October, 2018, at Olympia, Washington.

BRIAN BRAUN