

## STATE OF WASHINGTON WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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October 8, 2012

Ron Cronkhite, Metropolitan/Family Movers, Inc. 10303 Portland Avenue E #2 Tacoma, WA 98445

Re: August 17, 2012 letter to the Commission regarding docket TV-121254

Dear Mr. Cronkhite,

I am responding to your August 17, 2012 letter to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. In your letter, you object to the commission granting permanent Household Goods authority to Friends & Family Moving & Storage, Inc. Your concerns appear to be based on the carrier having a similar name.

Please be aware that Friends & Family Moving & Storage received permanent household goods authority on 8/16/2006. The application under docket TV-121254 was an application to transfer the authority from Friends & Family Moving & Storage to Friends & Family Moving & Storage, Inc. with new ownership. The new owner is the son of the current owners and has been the carrier's manager since 2005. The applicant has met the conditions of WAC 480-15-187(2) which outline the criteria for transfers.

I must also note that Friends & Family Moving & Storage first received provisional household goods authority on 12/5/2005 and received permanent household goods authority on 8/14/2006. Your company, Metropolitan Movers, Inc. submitted a petition and was granted permission to add the trade name (The) Family Movers, Metropolitan/Family Movers on 3/14/2006. Friends & Family Movers & Storage had been operating under their registered name prior to your company adding a similar trade name, which the commission granted.

Sincerely,

**David Pratt** 

Assistant Director, Transportation Safety