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October 27, 2014

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. Cary Johnson d/b/a Johnson's Hauling LLC aka Johnson's Hauling & Moving
Commission Staff's Recommendation regarding Mr. Johnson's Oct. 15, 2014 requests.
Docket TV-143300

Dear Mr. King:

On Oct. 17, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission entered Order 01, Order Instituting Special Proceeding; Complaint Seeking to Impose Penalties; Notice of Mandatory Appearance at Hearing (Set for Nov. 4, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.) and Subpoena and Subpoena Duces Tecum for Production of Documents. In addition, the Commission entered a letter addressed to Mr. Johnson and the Declaration of Megan Banks. In Order 01, Cary Johnson d/b/a Johnson's Hauling LLC aka Johnson's Hauling & Moving was ordered to appear before the Commission in a special proceeding conducted under the authority of RCW 81.04.510 at 9:30 a.m. on Nov. 4, 2014.

In Order 01, Commission Staff alleged that Mr. Johnson d/b/a Johnson's Hauling LLC aka Johnson's Hauling & Moving violated RCW 81.80.075(1) at least once by offering to transport household goods without first having obtained a household goods permit from the Commission. In addition, Staff alleged that Mr. Johnson violated RCW 81.80.075(1) at least once by advertising to transport household goods without first having obtained a household goods permit from the Commission. In the Declaration of Megan Banks, Staff provided documentation that a compliance letter was sent to Mr. Johnson on July 9, 2014, outlining the licensing process for household goods movers and consequences of operating as an unpermitted household goods

mover in Washington state. However, as documented in the Declaration of Megan Banks, Mr. Johnson failed to apply for a permit and continued to operate as an unpermitted household goods mover until after Order 01, et. al. was entered.

On Oct. 15, 2014, Mr. Johnson requested a hearing in Spokane, WA, or in the alternative, be able to call in to participate in the hearing on Nov. 4, 2014. As Mr. Johnson was given adequate notice through the July 9, 2014, compliance letter regarding the consequences of operating without a permit, and continued to operate without a permit, Staff recommends that Mr. Johnson's request be denied.

Sincerely,

Sharon Wallace, Assistant Director Consumer Protection and Communications