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From: catalin_creanga
To: [UTC DL Records Center](#)
Subject: Admit the violations but request mitigation of the penalty amount.
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 10:49:01 PM
Attachments: [TV-200668 - Notice of Penalties - Uplift Movers.pdf](#)
[SMP Uplift Movers.pdf](#)

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Creanga Catalin and I am the owner of Uplift Movers LLC. I am responsible for the Company's safety compliance program. For the past few months, since the inspection started, I have been working with Mr. Edward Steiner to present the documentation required by the commission. During the inspection Mr. Edward identified a series of violations (attached to this email). I have been cooperating with the investigation from the beginning till the end and during the investigation I have addressed and fixed the mistakes of which these violations occurred (Please see the Safety Management Plan attached). I fully understand that this does not change the result of the investigation. I admit the violations but I kindly ask for mitigation of the penalty amount in regards to the violation of the medical cards. Please take in consideration that this was the first investigation and that we already have the medical cards since the beginning of May.

Please find attached my medical card and Radu Bujoreanu's card. We are the full-time drivers of the company and occurrence of this violation is 172 for two of us. Artur Nitica and Sam Vlah worked a combined 4 days together. The fact that me and Radu passed the medical examination and received permits for the next two years shows that we were not a threat for the Washington highways and cities prior this investigation. In this challenging times of Covid-19 and with all these big expenses that we have: commercial insurance, maintenance, marketing, fuel etc., the penalty of 17600\$ would be an overwhelming hit on the company's finances and in fact might shatter or even stop the activity of this entity. I kindly ask, if possible, to apply the "per category" penalty for this violation rather than "per occurrence" as this penalty consists 95% out of the whole amount. Or to diminish this amount as much as possible as this is a very harsh price we have to pay.

This inspection has served as a valuable lesson for me as a moving company owner and as a driver. Since the opening of the company I have been focused much on the company's reputation and quality of the service that our teams provide. We are a 5 star rated company on every online platform but this mission is accomplished already and we would continue to provide the best service possible out there. But I do realize now the other aspects of this business activity and I understand now how important are the safety operations and procedures.

I certify that Uplift Movers LLC will operate in compliance with the federal and state regulations and our operations currently meet the safety standard found in Title 49 CFR Sections 385.5 and 385.7.

With respect,
Creanga Catalin
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