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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS (By June 12, 2023, at 5 p.m.)

And

NOTICE OF ITEM TO BE HEARD AT OPEN MEETING (Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.)

RE: Inquiry to determine the appropriateness of updates to Tariff 15-C in Consolidated Dockets TV-210535 and TV-210812

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On July 2, 2021, Clutter, Inc., filed with the Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition to revise Household Goods Tariff 15-C in Docket TV-210535. On October 11, 2021, the Washington Movers Conference filed a petition to revise Tariff 15-C in Docket TV-210812.

Commission staff (Staff) conducted a workshop in May 2022 and received multiple rounds of written comments for consideration. Based on the feedback received from regulated household goods carriers and other interested persons, Staff developed proposed changes to Tariff 15-C.

NOTICE OF ITEM TO BE HEARD AT OPEN MEETING

The Commission will consider staff's proposed changes to Tariff 15-C, with a proposed effective date of June 30, 2023, at its regularly scheduled open meeting on June 29, 2023.

Staff proposes the following changes to Tariff 15-C:

• Item 10: Definitions – Added definitions for items in the Tariff not previously defined.

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- Item 50: Overtime Moved to Section 3 Local (Hourly-Rated) Moves and changed Item number to 240.
- Item 80: Payment of Charges If the customer is due a refund, the carrier must issue a full refund no later than 30 days after the last scheduled or actual date of delivery.
- Item 190 and Item 240: Overtime Clarifying that carriers may not charge overtime for accessorial services.
- Item 230: Hourly Rates Added alternate minimum hourly charges for household goods moves and an alternative time recording option for recording time spent performing moves. Carriers who chose the alternatives rather than the standard minimum charge or standard time recording must submit to the Commission an Alternative Time Recording Form (attached to this Notice).
- Proposed changes also include a rate increase of 12.1 percent for all maximum rates and charges in Tariff 15-C. On May 27, 2022, the Commission approved a Tariff Supplement to increase maximum rates and charges of Tariff 15-C by 12.1 percent, which remains in effect until cancelled by Commission Order in Dockets TV-210535 and TV-210812. This proposal incorporates the supplemental 12.1 percent increase into Tariff 15-C permanently.
- Additionally, Staff will propose an annual maximum rate adjustment to Tariff 15-C based on the Seattle Consumer Price Index. The adjustment will incorporate CPI data through Dec. 31 and become effective Apr. 1 each year.

Proposed tariff changes, below, also include formatting changes and clarifications, but do not revise current practice:

- Item 10: Definitions
- Item 15: Shuttle Service and Refusal to Provide Service
- Item 30: Delivery Time and Means
- Item 40: Storage When Delivery Cannot Be Made
- Item 65: Customer-Packed Goods
- Item 80: Payment of Charges
- Item 85: Estimates
- Item 90: Carrier Liability and Customer Valuation Options
- Item 95: Bills of Lading

- Item 100: Storage
- Item 102: Small Goods Transportations and Storage
- Item 155: Additional Stops
- Item 180: Reweighing
- Item 185: Waiting Time
- Item 190: Overtime
- Item 195: Packing Charges
- Item 196: Container Prices
- Item 225: Container Prices
- Item 230: Hourly Rates
- Item 240: Overtime

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Commission seeks input from all interested persons regarding the attached proposed tariff revisions and the attached form for electing to use alternate time recording.

Written comments filed in response to this Notice must be filed with the Commission no later than 5 p.m., June 12, 2023, and must be submitted in electronic form, pursuant to WAC 480-07-250(3). Those comments must be submitted via the Commission's web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing as provided in WAC 480-07-140(5). If you are unable to submit documents via the web portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov or by mailing an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a flash drive, DVD, or compact disc that includes the filed document(s). Comment submissions should include:

- The docket numbers of this consolidated proceeding (TV-210535 and TV-210812).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comments.

The Commission will post all written comments on its website at the following URL address: www.utc.wa.gov.

The Commission will post the approved Tariff 15-C and *Alternate Time Recording form* on its website at the following URL address: https://www.utc.wa.gov/MovingCompanies, within one week of the Commission's Order approving Tariff changes and the *Alternate Time Recording form*.

If you have questions about this Notice, you may contact Andrew Roberts at <u>andrew.roberts@utc.wa.gov</u>, or (360) 664-1101.

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