

STATE OF WASHINGTON

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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June 4, 2018

Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Washington 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. 3Z Movers LLC Commission Staff's Response to Request for Payment Arrangements Docket TV-180198

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On March 20, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty assessment under Docket TV-180198 against 3Z Movers LLC (3Z Movers or Company) in the amount of \$15,200 for 165 critical violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-15-550, Cargo Insurance; WAC 480-15-555, Criminal Background Checks for Prospective Employees; WAC 480-15-560, Equipment Safety Requirements; and WAC 480-15-570, Driver Safety Requirements, which require household goods carriers to comply with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 391 – Qualifications of Drivers; CFR Part 395 – Hours of Service of Drivers; and CFR Part 396 – Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance.

On April 17, 2018, 3Z Movers filed with the Commission its application for mitigation of penalties. Boubacar Zida, owner of 3Z Movers, admitted the violations, offered explanations for the violations that occurred, provided supporting documentation for the corrective action steps taken by the Company, and asked that the penalties be reduced for reasons set out in his response.

On April 19, 2018, Commission staff (Staff) filed a response recommending the Commission grant the Company's request for mitigation, in part, reducing the assessed penalty from \$15,200 to \$8,000. Staff further recommended that \$4,000 of the reduced penalty be suspended for a period of two years before being waived, subject to conditions.

On May 10, 2018, the Commission issued an order granting, in part, the Company's request for mitigation of the \$15,200 penalty; reducing the penalty to \$8,000. In addition, the Commission suspended a \$4,000 portion of the penalty for a period of two years before being waived, subject to the conditions that: (1) 3Z Movers must either pay the \$4,000 portion of the penalty that is not suspended or file jointly with Staff a proposed payment arrangement within 10 days of the order; and (2) 3Z Movers may not incur any repeat violations of critical regulations.

On June 4, 2018, 3Z Movers contacted Staff and proposed payment arrangements on the \$4,000 portion of the penalty that is not suspended. Staff supports the Company's proposed monthly payments as follows:

	Payment Plan		
Installment	Due Date		Amount
1	July 6, 2018		\$200
2	Aug. 6, 2018		\$200
3	Sept. 6, 2018		\$200
4	Oct. 8, 2018		\$200
5	Nov. 6, 2018		\$200
6	Dec. 6, 2018		\$200
7	Jan. 7, 2019		\$200
8	Feb. 6, 2019		\$200
9	March 6, 2019		\$200
10	April 8, 2019		\$200
11	May 6, 2019		\$200
12	June 6, 2019		\$200
13	July 8, 2019		\$200
14	Aug. 6, 2019		\$200
15	Sept. 6, 2019		\$200
16	Oct. 7, 2019		\$200
17	Nov. 6, 2019		\$200
18	Dec. 6, 2019		\$200
19	Jan. 6, 2020		\$200
20	Feb. 6, 2020		\$200
		otal:	\$4,000

3Z Movers is aware that if it fails to pay any installment by the due date, or fails to pay at least the minimum monthly installment by the due date, the entire remaining balance will become immediately due and payable without further Commission order.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Hoxit, Compliance Investigator, Consumer Protection, at 360-664-1320, or by e-mail at jason.hoxit@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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