

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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August 24, 2022

Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Established Moving & Storage of Seattle Inc., d/b/a Established Moving & Storage Commission Staff Recommendation to Impose Suspended Penalties of Order 01 Docket TV-210741 and TV-210742 (Consolidated)

## Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On November 10, 2021, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Consolidating Dockets; Cancelling Brief Adjudicative Proceeding; Approving Safety Management Plan; Upgrading Safety Rating; Extending Provisional Period; Imposing and Suspending Penalties in Dockets TV-210741 and TV-210742 (Consolidated). Order 01 imposed a \$15,000 penalty against Established Moving & Storage of Seattle Inc., d/b/a Established Moving & Storage (Established Moving or Company) and suspended a \$10,000 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Established Moving must maintain a conditional safety rating;
- (2) Commission staff (Staff) must conduct a follow-up investigation at least six months from the effective date of Order 01;
- (3) Established Moving may not incur any repeat acute or critical violations of WAC 480-15 upon re-inspection; and
- (4) Established Moving must pay the remaining \$5,000 penalty that was not suspended according to an approved payment plan.

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On August 2, 2022, Staff completed the follow-up safety investigation as required in Order 01. During the investigation, Staff identified a repeat critical violation of WAC 480-15. The repeat violation is documented as follows:

• Two violations of WAC 480-15-555 – Failing to conduct/retain paperwork containing criminal background checks or hiring an individual with a disqualifying conviction for a household goods carrier in the state of Washington

Staff finds that Established Moving failed to satisfy each requirement of Order 01 by incurring repeat violations and recommends that the Commission impose the \$10,000 suspended penalty.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Sharp, Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor, Transportation Safety at jason.sharp@utc.wa.gov or at (360) 701-1603.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Sharp, Jason (UTC) Date: 2022.08.24

Jason Sharp

Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor, Transportation Safety