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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
(By January 12, 2024)

Re: Rulemaking to Revise WAC 480-15 Relating to Household Goods Carriers Tariff and Rates,
Dockets TV-210812 & TV-210535 (*Consolidated*)

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On July 2, 2021, Clutter, Inc., (Clutter) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a Petition in Docket TV-210535 to Revise Household Goods (HHG) Tariff 15-C (Tariff 15-C) and for Exemption from Certain Provisions of Tariff 15-C and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-15 related to (1) how rates and storage fees are assessed, (2) billing time increments, (3) definitions related to the permanent storage of HHG, and (4) minimum hourly requirements (Clutter’s Petition). In its Petition, Clutter requested the Commission open a process to discuss revisions to Tariff 15-C to address modifying the rules from which it sought temporary exemption.

October 11, 2021, the Washington Movers Conference (WMC) filed a Petition to Revise Tariff 15-C in Docket TV-210812, requesting the Commission eliminate the maximum tariff rate band and maintain a “reasonable minimum rate band.”

On October 14, 2021, the Commission issued Order 01 in Docket TV-210535, which granted Clutter several temporary exemptions from Tariff 15-C and Commission rules and directed Commission staff (Staff) to initiate a holistic review of Tariff 15-C. Dockets TV-210535 and TV-210812 were subsequently consolidated by Commission Order.¹

On June 29, 2023, the Commission entered Order 06/04, Amending Tariff 15-C (Order 06/09) in these consolidated Dockets. Order 06/09, among other things, directed Commission staff (Staff)

¹ *In the Matter of the Petitions of Clutter, Inc., and Washington Movers Conference re Tariff 15-C., Dockets TV-210812 & TV-210535 (Consolidated), Order 03 (May 27, 2022).*

to initiate a rulemaking to consider whether the maximum rate band of Tariff 15-C should be eliminated.

On November 29, 2023, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) filed with the Code Reviser a Preproposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) to consider revisions to chapters 480-15 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) regarding tariffs in general and the requirement that the Commission set minimum and maximum rates carriers may charge. The CR-101 also informed interested persons that WAC 480-15-020, specifically the definition of “supplemental estimate,” will also be considered for revision.

The CR-101, as filed with the Code Reviser, is available for inspection on the Commission’s website at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/casedocket/2021/210812>. If you are unable to access the Commission’s web page and would like an electronic copy of the CR-101 emailed to you, please contact the Records Center at (360) 664-1234 or at records@utc.wa.gov.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments on the CR-101, pursuant to WAC 480-07-250(3), must be submitted in electronic form, specifically in searchable .pdf format (Adobe Acrobat or comparable software). As provided in WAC 480-07-140(5), those comments must be submitted via the Commission’s web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing. If you are unable to submit documents via the portal, you may submit your comments by email to the Commission’s Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov or by mailing or delivering 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 number of this proceeding (Docket TV-210812 & TV-210535);
- The commenting party's name; and
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/casedocket/2021/210812>.

If you are unable to file your comments electronically, the Commission will accept a paper document. If you have questions regarding this rulemaking, you may contact Mike Young at (360) 664-1155, or by email at mike.young@utc.wa.gov.

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