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FROM:

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DATE:

August 9, 2016

SUBJECT:

Docket TV-140270, Application for Permanent Authority

On February 18, 2014, America's Elite, Inc., filed Docket TV-140270 requesting permanent household goods authority.

The Commission granted the company temporary authority subject to conditions pending a decision on its application for permanent authority. The company has operated under Household Goods Carrier Permit THG-65297, since February 26, 2014.

Under WAC 480-15-305, the commission will grant or deny an application for permanent authority after conducting a complete review of the application filings, supporting statements, or other information necessary to determine fitness, public interest, and current or future public convenience and necessity.

Compliance staff worked with the company providing technical assistance during its temporary operations. Investigator John Foster completed a Safety Compliance Review, a Household Goods Technical Assistance and Records Review Checklist. The investigator found the company not in compliance. After submitting a safety management plan, on August 4, 2016, it was recommended the applicant be considered for permanent authority.

The current provisional permit THG-65297 is in order as follows:

- o Records Center has a current annual report on file.
- o Financial Services reports the company has paid appropriate regulatory fees.
- o The commission does not have any outstanding penalty or other fine against THG-65297.
- o Compliance Investigations does not have a pending consumer complaint.
- o Transportation Safety does not have a pending compliance action.
- o Company attended mandatory HHG new entrant training on March 27, 2014.

I recommend the Commission grant TV-131344 without hearing and reissue permit HG-65297 to America's Elite, Inc., as unrestricted permanent authority to operate as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington.

Approved by

Date