

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary 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. Doyin Adekanmbi d/b/a Sea-Tac Movers LLC

Commission Staff's Recommendation to Impose Suspended Penalties

Docket TV-140340

Dear Mr. King:

On May 6, 2014, the Utilities and Transportation Commission entered Order 02, which classified Doyin Adekanmbi d/b/a Sea-Tac Movers LLC as a household goods carrier. Order 02 imposed and suspended penalties on condition of future compliance. Mr. Adekanmbi was assessed a \$5,000 penalty for violations of RCW 81.80.075(1), which prohibits household goods carriers from operating for compensation in Washington without first obtaining the required permit from the commission. A portion of the penalty, \$4,500, was suspended for a period of two years on the condition that Mr. Adekanmbi cease and desist operating as a household goods carrier and comply with a payment plan for the remainder of the \$500 penalty.

Order 02 specified that payments in the amount of \$167 were due on May 6 and June 6, 2014 and a payment of \$166 was due on July 6, 2014. If one payment was missed, the entire amount of the penalty, including the suspended portion of \$4,500, would become due and payable the day after the missed penalty was due. Mr. Adekanmbi made payments of \$77 on May 7, 2014, \$90 on May 8, 2014, and \$167 on June 9, 2014. Mr. Adekanmbi failed to make the \$166 payment on July 6, 2014.

Order 02 also specified that Mr. Adekanmbi cease and desist operating as a household goods carrier without a permit or the entire amount of the penalty, including the suspended portion of \$4,500, would become due and payable. Commission staff has evidence that Mr. Adekanmbi continues to operate in violation of Order 02.

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On Dec. 10, 2015, commission staff was informed of the company's new website, seatacnationwidemoversllc.com, by a former customer. Staff confirmed through telephone records and through additional advertisements that Sea Tac Nationwide Movers LLC was owned by Adedoyin (Doyin) Adekanmbi. Staff requested a move estimate through the email address provided on the website, <a href="mailto:seatacnationwidemoversllc@gmail.com">seatacnationwidemoversllc@gmail.com</a>, for a household goods move from Burien to Queen Anne. The same day, "James" from Sea Tac Nationwide Movers LLC responded by email and quoted staff a price of \$55 an hour for two movers, \$75 an hour for three movers, and \$95 an hour for four movers. "James" also stated that there was a three hour labor minimum and that the company "can provide a 15ft truck for a flat \$55 for the day."

Staff recommends the suspended \$4,500 penalty be imposed for violating a commission order by failing to make a required payment on July 6, 2014, and by failing to cease operating as a non-permitted household goods carrier. Staff also recommends Mr. Adekanmbi be given credit for the \$77 payment on May 7, 2014, \$90 payment on May 8, 2014, and \$167 payment on June 9, 2014, for a remaining penalty of \$4,666.

Sincerely,

Sharon Wallace, Assistant Director Consumer Protection and Communications