BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In re Application of)	DOCKET TV-150038
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WINN, RONALD d/b/a EAGLE)	ORDER 03
MOVING LLC)	
)	ORDER DENYING APPLICATION
For a Permit to Operate as a Motor)	FOR PERMANENT AUTHORITY;
Carrier of Household Goods)	CANCELLING TEMPORARY
)	AUTHORITY
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BACKGROUND

- Procedural Background. On January 5, 2015, Ronald Winn d/b/a Eagle Moving LLC (Eagle Moving or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) an application requesting permanent authority to operate as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington under RCW 81.80 and WAC 480-15 (Application). On January 13, 2015, in Order 01 of this docket, the Commission granted Eagle Moving temporary authority to provide household goods moving services subject to conditions.
- 2 Commission Staff (Staff) reviewed the Application for Eagle Moving in Docket TV-150038, as well as Docket TV-150159 regarding AA Eagle Moving operations as a nonpermitted carrier, and Docket TV-120721 regarding AA Eagle Moving's original permit application. Staff's investigation revealed that Mr. Ronald Winn, the owner of Eagle Moving, is allowing Mr. Ivan Ingram to operate under his household goods permit. Staff further alleged that Mr. Winn has employed Mr. Ingram as an employee who has been convicted of crimes involving theft, burglary, and identity theft. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the Commission deny the Application and suspend the Company's temporary household goods permit.
- On July 20, 2015, the Commission entered Order 02, a notice of its intention to deny the Application for failure to meet the application requirements of RCW 81.80 and WAC 480-15, and order suspending Eagle Moving's temporary authority to provide household goods moving services on a provisional basis (Order 02). Paragraphs 10 21 of Order 02 set forth Staff's factual allegations supporting the proposed denial of the Application and suspension of temporary authority. Order 02 also provided Eagle Moving with an opportunity to request a hearing by August 3, 2015, to present such evidence. Eagle Moving did not request a hearing or otherwise respond to Order 02.

DISCUSSION

- 4 RCW 81.80.075 requires the Commission to issue a household goods permit to any qualified applicant found to be fit, willing, and able to perform the services proposed and conform to the applicable laws, requirements, rules and regulations of the Commission. WAC 480-15-302 explains that the Commission may deny applications when the application indicates evidence of fraud, misrepresentation or erroneous information, or when other circumstances cause the Commission to believe issuing a permit is not in the public interest.
- 5 The uncontested findings from Staff's investigation demonstrate that Mr. Winn has not complied with Commission regulatory requirements and that the prior convictions of Mr. Ingram, an employee of Mr. Winn, would likely interfere with the proper operation of a household goods moving company. Issuing the requested permit to Eagle Moving under these circumstances would not be in the public interest. The Commission, therefore, denies the Application.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 6 The application filed by Ronald Winn d/b/a Eagle Moving LLC on January 5, 2015, in Docket TV-150038 for a permit to operate as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington is DENIED and the temporary authority to provide household goods moving services on a provisional basis is CANCELLED.
- 7 The Commission had delegated authority to the Secretary to enter this Order under RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-905(1)(k).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective August 11, 2015.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING Executive Director and Secretary

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