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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. Merchants Parcel Delivery Inc.
Commission Staff Recommendation to Waive Suspended Penalties of Order 01
Docket TV-190326

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On June 12, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Granting Mitigation to \$8,200; Imposing and Suspending Penalty in Docket TV-190326. Order 01 granted Merchants Parcel Delivery, Inc., d/b/a Merchants Moving & Storage Co.'s, (Merchants Moving or Company) request for mitigation in part, assessed a penalty of \$8,200 and suspended a \$5,000 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Commission staff (Staff) will conduct a follow-up focused safety investigation in two years or as soon thereafter as practicable to review Merchant Moving's driver qualifications and employee criminal background checks;
- (2) The Company must not incur any repeat violations of acute or critical regulations upon reinspection; and
- (3) Merchants Moving must pay the \$3,200 portion of the penalty that is not suspended within 10 days of the effective date of Order 01.

On June 17, 2019, Merchants Moving paid the \$3,200 portion of the penalty that was not suspended in full.

On February 10, 2022, Staff completed the required follow-up investigation as outlined in Order 01. Merchants Moving did not receive any repeat violations of acute or critical regulations.

Staff finds that Merchants Moving satisfied the conditions of Order 01 and recommends that the \$5,000 suspended penalty be waived.

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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,

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