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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Utilities and Transportation Commission

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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.

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, seatacnationwidemoversllc@gmail.com, 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