

## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WESTERN VAN LINES, INC., d/b/a WESTERN VAN & STORAGE,	) Docket No. TV 061577
Complainan	ot, ) COMPLAINANT'S STATEMENT OF PUBLIC INTEREST
v.	)
WESTERN MOVING & STORAGE, INC.,	) )
Respondent	.     ) )

## I. INTRODUCTION

On or about October 10, 2006, Complainant filed the above complaint. The complaint alleged that the respondent had violated WAC 480-15-390 by adopting a company and trade name deceptively similar to that of the Complainant.

On December 12, 2006, the parties filed a stipulation which obligated the respondent to change its corporate name, web site address and other marketing tools to one that was not deceptively similar to the Complainant's.

The respondent has, to the Complainant's knowledge, complied fully with the terms of the stipulation. Accordingly, there is no reason to proceed further with this complaint.

## II. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC INTEREST

WAC 480-15-390 is a consumer protection regulation. Its purpose is to prevent confusion in the marketplace over the providing of household goods transportation services. The Respondent has voluntarily complied with the regulation. It has implemented a cure that fully satisfies the complaint's prayer for relief.

The stipulation, and respondent's performance of the stipulation, satisfies the public interest by eliminating the confusion its name caused. By settling the matter, the Commission was spared the expense of conducting a hearing that became unnecessary.

For the foregoing reasons, the complainant requests that the Commission dismiss the complaint in this matter.

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## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington as follows:

- 1. I am employed by Davis Grimm Payne & Marra, the Complainant's attorney in the above cause.
- 2. On February 1, 2007 I mailed Complainant's Statement of Public Interest to which this Certificate is attached via first class mail, postage repaid, to the Respondent's address listed in the records of the Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission as follows:

Western Moving & Storage, Inc. 17004 NE 116<sup>th</sup> Street Redmond, Washington 98052

Dated this 1st day of February, 2007.

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