

## **Washington Movers Conference**

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Dear Gene.

Reference:

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The Washington Movers Conference would like to petition the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for a review of the current Tariff No. 15-A Fuel Surcharge based upon the continuing high cost of diesel fuel. The cost of fuel is escalating daily and a weekly review, we believe, is now justified.

Therefore, the WMC requests the Tariff No. 15-A Fuel Surcharge be continually reviewed on a weekly basis for the immediate future. For example, the review should take place immediately to be effective on/about September 7, 2005, for the next weekly cycle. Then each subsequent week a review should be made to provide a basis to determine if the Fuel Surcharge should be increased or decreased based upon the cost of fuel at that point in time. Our rationale is that a Fuel Surcharge is put in place to temporarily provide relief for any unusual circumstance that impacts the cost of doing business beyond the control of the business. Once the abnormal situation subsides or is mitigated by other means, the surcharge should drop back as well.

Should you need any further assistance from the WMC, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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