## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Determining the Proper Carrier Classification of, and Complaint for Penalties against:

DMITRIY SATIR d/b/a PNW MOVING AND DELIVERY LLC DOCKET TV-180214

DECLARATION OF BRIAN BRAUN

Brian Braun, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

- 1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) as a Compliance Investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a Compliance Investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate household goods carriers that may be operating without the required Commission permit.
- 2. On March 8, 2018, I found advertisements on craigslist.org that identified a company that may be operating as a household goods carrier without the required commission-issued permit. The advertisements featured a graphic advertisement with the web address of www.pnwmovers.com.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. On March 8, 2018, I visited the website http://pnwmover.com. The results produced the company name of PNW Moving & Delivery (PNW Moving), the telephone number of (253) 237-4291, hourly rates of, "2 Movers & Truck \$110/hr, 3 Movers & Truck \$140/hr, 4 Movers & Truck \$170/hr," a statement about being "Tacoma's top rated local® moving company," photographs of individuals moving house-hold goods, a photograph of an individual with his arms crossed and standing in front of a truck with the PNW Moving logo, and the ability to get a quote using the website.<sup>2</sup>
- 4. On March 8, 2018, I searched Commission records to see if PNW Moving is a permitted household goods carrier. The results produced records that PNW Moving was first sent a Cease and Desist letter on Feb. 3, 2017; that PNW Moving applied for and received a temporary permit on Feb. 28, 2017; and that PNW Moving had its permit canceled on Sept. 27, 2017 for lack of proof of insurance.<sup>3</sup>
- 5. In the cancellation letter, (Docket TV-171012), PNW Moving was informed that, "you must cease all operations associated with this permit. If you advertise or operate as a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Attachment A for craigslist.org ads, printed on March 8, 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Attachment B for a copy of www.pnwmovers.com, printed on March 8, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Attachment C for a copy of Commission record, printed March 8, 2018.

house holds good mover without a valid permit, the commission may take enforcement action against you."<sup>4</sup>

- 6. On March 8, 2018, I searched <u>www.facebook.com</u> for Dmitriy Satir. On Dmitriy Satir's profile page I found the same photograph of an individual with his arms crossed and standing in front of a truck with the PNW Moving logo and a statement that he is the "Owner at PNW Moving and Delivery LLC."<sup>5</sup>
- On March 8, 2018, I searched Washington Secretary of State's website for PNW Moving and Delivery LLC. The results produced one of the governor's to be Dmitriy Satir, the registered agent to be Dmitriy Satir, and the principal office address to be 833 103<sup>rd</sup> St. S, Tacoma, WA 98444.<sup>6</sup>
- 8. On March 8, 2018, I used pnwmovers.com online quote option and received a quote for three movers and a truck for \$140/hr for a move between Tacoma WA and Lacey WA.<sup>7</sup>
- 9. On March 8, 2018, I received emails to my assumed name's email thanking me for submitting a quote, a copy of my requested quote, a confirmation that my moving date is available, and that I needed to confirm my quote.<sup>8</sup>

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018, at Olympia, Washington.

BRIAN BRAUN

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Attachment D for a copy of the cancellation letter, sent Sept. 29, 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Attachment E for a copy of the Facebook page, printed on March 8, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Attachment F for a copy of the Washington's Secretary of State's business information, printed March 8, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Attachment G for a copy of quote, dated March 8, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See Attachment H for a copy of the emails, dated March 8, 2018.