

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Investigation of

TWO MEN AND A MOVING VAN
LLC, D/B/A MOVE FOR LESS,

For Compliance with WAC 480-15-560
and WAC 480-15-570

DOCKET TV-200946

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CANCEL
PERMIT AS A HOUSEHOLD GOODS
CARRIER

NOTICE OF BRIEF ADJUDICATIVE
PROCEEDING; SETTING TIME FOR
ORAL STATEMENTS
**(Set for January 15, 2021, at 1:30
p.m.)**

- 1 Pursuant to RCW 81.80.130, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has authority to regulate common carriers, including household goods carriers, with respect to safety of operations. WAC 480-15-450 provides that the Commission may cancel a household goods carrier's permit and operating authority for good cause, including when the carrier fails to comply with safety requirements. Commission staff (Staff) recommends that the Commission cancel the permit of Two Men and A Moving Van LLC, d/b/a Move For Less, (Move for Less or Company) for good cause due to the Company's ongoing failure to comply with applicable laws and Commission rules pertaining to the operation of household goods carriers, including safety requirements set in law or rule.
- 2 WAC 480-15-999 adopts by reference Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) pertaining to safety requirements for household goods carriers. WAC 480-15-560 specifically requires carriers to comply with 49 C.F.R. Part 385, and 49 C.F.R. § 385.13 prohibits motor carriers from operating beginning on the 61st day after the date of a notice of proposed unsatisfactory rating. Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 385.17, a carrier that receives a proposed unsatisfactory or conditional safety rating may request a change in its safety rating based on evidence that the company has taken corrective actions to address the identified violations and that the company's operations currently meet the safety fitness standards.
- 3 On December 5, 2017, the Commission granted the Company a provisional household goods carrier permit.

4 On November 19, 2020, Staff completed an investigation of Move for Less's compliance with the safety requirements in WAC 480-15. As a result of the compliance investigation, Staff documented 91 safety requirement violations and proposed a conditional safety rating for the Company. Staff notified the Company of this proposed rating on November 19, 2020.

5 Under the circumstances presented in this case, the Commission determines that it will afford Move for Less the same opportunity as companies that have received a proposed unsatisfactory rating to provide evidence, in the form of an approved safety management plan, showing that the Company has taken corrective action to address the identified violations. Move for Less must come into compliance with applicable laws by obtaining Commission approval of a safety management plan no later than January 18, 2021. If the Company fails to come into compliance by that date, the Commission will cancel its household goods carrier permit effective January 19, 2021. Thereafter, as an unregistered company, Move for Less would be prohibited from providing household goods carrier services in the state of Washington.

6 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE: That it intends to cancel the permit and authority of Move for Less to provide services as a household goods carrier effective January 19, 2021, for cause, following a hearing on the factual allegations set out above, unless the Company obtains Commission approval of a safety management plan prior to that date.**

7 Pursuant to WAC 480-15-450(2) the Commission will hold a hearing prior to cancelling a household goods permit for a company's failure to comply with applicable laws and commission rules pertaining to operations of household goods carriers, including safety requirements set in law or rule. Accordingly, the Commission determines that a brief adjudicative proceeding is appropriate to determine whether the Commission should cancel Move for Less's household goods carrier permit.

8 **THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE: That it will hold a virtual brief adjudicative proceeding in this matter at 1:30 p.m. on January 15, 2021. To attend the hearing by telephone, please call (253) 372-2181 and enter the conference ID: 299 349 581#. To attend via Microsoft Teams, please use the following link: [Click here to join the meeting.](#)**

9 The record in this case will consist of any documents regarding the matter that are considered by or prepared for the presiding officer for the brief adjudicative proceeding and a transcript of any oral statements given at the hearing, which statements will be given under oath.

- 10 Written notice of any other stage in the proceeding or other formal proceedings that the Commission may deem appropriate will be given during the course of this case. The Commission will provide on its website, www.utc.wa.gov, copies of documents in the current record for use by the parties or others who may want to review them.
- 11 **Move for Less must submit its proposed safety management plan no later than 5 p.m. on January 4, 2021.** Parties wishing to submit any other documents for consideration at the brief adjudicative proceeding must electronically file any such documents with the Commission a list enumerating and describing any such documents **no later than 5 p.m. on January 8, 2021.** Filing shall be in accordance with WAC 480-07-140.
- 12 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE: That any party who fails to attend or participate in the brief adjudicative proceeding set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**
- 13 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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14 Administrative Law Judge Samantha Doyle, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during these proceedings.¹

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective December 8, 2020.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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