

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

<p>In the Matter of the Petition of</p> <p>Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Petitioner,</p> <p>Seeking Exemption from the provisions of WAC 480-15-480 Relating to Filing of Annual Reports by Households Goods Carrier Companies</p>	<p>DOCKET TV-210250</p> <p>ORDER 01</p> <p>GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM RULE; GRANTING COMPANY ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT</p>
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BACKGROUND

- 1 On March 22, 2021, Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC, (Coleman or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition requesting an extension of time to file its 2020 annual report as required by WAC 480-15-480. According to Coleman, it is unable to prepare the report because its accounting department is heavily involved in closing out the previous year’s business, and then, immediately following, the first quarter of 2021. The Company is dependent on the audited financial statements produced by its auditing firm and cannot control the date those statements can be provided to them for the completion of the annual report. Accordingly, Coleman seeks an extension until June 1, 2021.
- 2 Commission staff (Staff) reviewed the request and found it reasonable and recommends granting Coleman’s request for an extension to file its annual report by June 1, 2021.

DISCUSSION

- 3 The Commission may grant exemptions from its rules under WAC 480-15-035 if doing so is in the public interest. The Company requests the extension due to circumstances that are beyond its direct control. We agree with Staff’s recommendation and grant the Company an extension to file its annual report by June 1, 2021. We find the exemption is in the public interest because the Company is not able to file a complete report until June 1. We note that regulatory fees are still due in full by May 1, 2021, if the Company wishes to avoid accruing interest and incurring penalties.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 4 (1) The Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts and affiliated interests of public service companies, including household goods carrier companies.
- 5 (2) Coleman is a household goods carrier company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 6 (3) Coleman is subject to WAC 480-15-480, which requires household goods carrier companies to file an annual report by May 1 of each year.
- 7 (4) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 22, 2021.
- 8 (5) After review of the petition filed in Docket TV-210250 by Coleman on March 22, 2021, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is in the public interest, is consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and applicable statutes, and that it should be granted.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC's petition for an exemption from WAC 480-15-480 and for an extension until June 1, 2021, to file its 2020 annual report is granted.
- 10 (2) Failure by Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC, to file its 2020 annual report by June 1, 2021, will result in enforcement action, up to and including canceling Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC's household goods carrier permit.
- 11 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Coleman American Moving Services of Washington, LLC to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective April 22, 2021.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARK L. JOHNSON
Executive Director and Secretary