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## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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

JOSHUA CALEB HARRINGTON, D/B/A HARRINGTON MOVING & LANDSCAPING **DOCKET TV-220731** 

DECLARATION OF SHARMILA PRABAKARAN

I, Sharmila Prabakaran, 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 June 27, 2022, I searched Washington Department of Revenue <sup>1</sup> for Harrington Moving & Landscaping. The results produced a company named Harrington Moving & Landscaping with a physical address of 2499 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA 99403.
- 3. On July 19, 2022, I found an advertisement on <a href="https://nicelocal.com/">https://nicelocal.com/</a> for Harrington Moving & Landscaping (Harrington Moving or Company), which identified itself as a household goods moving company. The advertisement offered to provide household goods moving services in the multiple areas of Washington State.<sup>2</sup>
- 4. On July 21, 2022, I sent a compliance letter to Harrington Moving informing them that they must cease and desist operations as a household goods carrier in Washington state until the company obtains the required household goods carrier permit from the Commission.<sup>3</sup>
- 5. On August 31, 2022, compliance investigator Jaquandria Ewanika called (509) 496-8233, using an assumed name to obtain a quote for moving. The investigator spoke to Joshua who transferred the call to Michelle. They stated they could perform the move from Olympia to Clarkston, WA. <sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Attachment A for a copy of the Washington Department of Revenue search results, captured on June 27, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Attachment B for a copy of the https://nicelocal.com/ ad, captured on July 19, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Attachment C for a copy of the compliance letter, dated July 21, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Attachment D for a copy of the phone call notes, dated August 31, 2022.

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6. On November 14, 2022, I found an advertisement on <a href="https://nicelocal.com/">https://nicelocal.com/</a> for Harrington Moving & Landscaping.<sup>5</sup>

DATED this day December 20, 2022, at Lacey, Washington.

/s/ Sharmila Prabakaran
Sharmila Prabakaran, Compliance Investigator

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Attachment E for a copy of the Harrington Moving & Landscaping ad, captured on November 14, 2022.