

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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November 30, 2016

Steven V. King Executive Director and Secretary Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: TV-161077 Jean François Assin d/b/a Strong Muscles Movers aka Tchaman Movers

Dear Mr. King:

On October 25, 2016, Jean Francois Assin was classified as a common carrier of household goods within the state of Washington. On the same date, Mr. Assin was ordered to immediately cease and desist operations as a household goods carrier within the state of Washington without first obtaining a permit from the Commission.

In Order 02 of Docket No. TV-161077, Mr. Assin was assessed a penalty of \$5,000. A \$4,500 portion of the penalty was suspended for a period of two years from the date of October 25, 2016, and waived thereafter, provided Mr. Assin refrain permanently from further operations as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington without first obtaining the required permit from the commission. The remainder of the penalty, \$500, was due and payable subject to the following schedule in Appendix A of Order 02:

October 25, 2016- \$150 payment due November 28, 2016- \$350 payment due

Commission records show that Mr. Assin made his first payment of \$150 on October 25, 2016. On November 21, 2016, Mr. Assin personally appeared at the commission and spoke with commission staff and asked for an extension to pay the remaining \$350 due on November 28, 2016. Mr. Assin told staff that he is facing a hardship and does not have the funds to make his scheduled payment. Mr. Assin requested that he is given until December 28, 2016, to make his final payment of \$350.

Staff notes that Mr. Assin has been cooperative with staff and made a payment on the day of the hearing. Mr. Assin sought relief before his next payment was due. Staff recommends the remaining \$350 be paid on December 28, 2016, provided that Jean François Assin refrains

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permanently from further operations as a household goods carrier in the state of Washington without first obtaining the required permit from the Commission.

Sincerely,

Bridgit Feeser, Assistant Director Consumer Protection