BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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DOCKET TV-200161

Complainant,

v.

SAFE-TO-GO-MOVERS, LLC,

Respondent.

In the Matter of the Investigation of

SAFE-TO-GO-MOVERS, LLC

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

In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against

SAFE-TO-GO-MOVERS, LLC

In the Amount of \$8,600

DOCKET TV-190515

DOCKET TV-190514

DECLARATION OF JASON SHARP

I, JASON SHARP, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington, declares as follows.

- I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
 (Commission) as the Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor in the Transportation Safety division since November 2016.
- 2. Factors that Commission staff (Staff) considered when entering into negotiations for settlement with Safe-To-Go Movers, LLC (STG or Company) owner James Mwangi,

included the Company's improvement of its safety rating to satisfactory, penalties the Company is currently responsible for with the Commission, willingness to come into compliance with safety regulations, and demonstrated corrective action.

- 3. During the March 2020 safety investigation, STG improved its safety rating from conditional to satisfactory. While repeat violations were discovered during this investigation, the Company made progress towards implementing a compliant safety program.
- 4. STG provided Staff with a safety management plan that demonstrated the Company's corrective actions as well as safety measures to ensure the violations identified in the complaint do not reoccur in the future.
- 5. Additionally, the Company provided evidence that Staff believes to mitigate the violations for using a driver with a suspended license. The Company responded that it did the required annual driver qualification verification showing a valid license and was not made aware by the driver that his license had been suspended. I reviewed the Company's response to this violation with supporting documentation and find the Company's claim credible that it did not knowingly use a driver with a suspended license. STG has implemented weekly checks of this driver's license status to ensure the Company does not incur future violations.
- 6. Considering the current payment plan the Company is making with the Commission and that Staff is seeking to impose the suspended \$5,000 penalty from Docket TV-190514, Staff supports suspending the amount identified in the complaint settlement agreement as a tool to encourage the Company's future compliance with safety regulations.

DATED this 12 day of May 2020, at Olympia, Washington.

JASON SHARP