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June 3, 2021

Mark L. Johnson Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
P.O. Box 47250  
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Uplift Movers, LLC*  
Commission Staff Recommendation to Impose Suspended Penalties of Order 01  
Docket TV-200668 and TV-200669 (Consolidated)

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On September 9, 2020, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Consolidating Dockets; Approving Safety Management Plan; Upgrading Safety Rating; Imposing and Suspending Penalty in Docket TV-200668 and TV-200669 (Consolidated). Order 01 granted Uplift Movers, LLC's (Uplift Movers or Company) request for mitigation, assessed a penalty of \$8,050 and suspended a \$5,000 portion of the penalty for two years, and then waived, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Commission staff (Staff) conduct a follow-up investigation approximately six months from the date of Order 01;
- (2) Uplift Movers must not incur any repeat violations of critical regulations; and
- (3) The Company pays the \$3,050 portion of the penalty that is not suspended.

On September 10, 2020, Uplift Movers paid the \$3,050 portion of the penalty that was not suspended in full.

On May 25, 2021, Staff completed the follow-up review as required in Order 01. During the follow-up review, Staff identified one repeat violation of critical regulations. The repeat violation is documented as follows:

- One violations of WAC 480-15-555 – Failing to conduct or retain paperwork containing criminal background check for a household goods carrier in the state of Washington as required.

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Staff finds that Uplift Movers failed to satisfy each requirement of Order 01 by incurring a repeat violation of critical regulations and recommends that the Commission impose the \$5,000 suspended penalty.

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Sharp, Motor Carrier Safety Supervisor, Transportation Safety at [jason.sharp@utc.wa.gov](mailto:jason.sharp@utc.wa.gov) or at (360) 701-1603.

Sincerely,

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