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6	JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Let's go on the record.
7	My name is Marguerite Friedlander. I'm the
8	administrative law judge for the Commission today presiding over
9	this brief adjudicative proceeding.
10	We are here today before the Commission on Thursday,
11	August 9, 2012, to begin a hearing in Docket TV-112194, to
12	address a request by ASM, LLC, doing business as All Service
13	Moving, for a review of the Commission's order dismissing ASM's
14	household goods permit application.
15	The purpose of the hearing today is to take testimony
16	and to also take evidence from both of the parties on the issues
17	in the proceeding. My plan is to take appearances, address any
18	preliminary matters that the parties may have, and then we'll
19	get right into the testimony.
20	So let's go ahead and take appearances of the
21	parties. I'll start with you, Mr. Grabeel, since you are the
22	moveant in this case.
23	MR. GRABEEL: My name is Jeffrey Grabeel.
24	JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Grabeel?
25	MR. GRABEEL: Grabeel, yeah.

- 1 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. And could you give your
- 2 full physical address, telephone number, and e-mail address?
- 3 MR. GRABEEL: Of the business, or of the -- of
- 4 myself?
- 5 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Business is fine.
- 6 MR. GRABEEL: Okay. Business is 5203 Southeast
- 7 Johnson Creek Boulevard, Portland, Oregon 97222.
- 8 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: And then your telephone number,
- 9 as well as e-mail.
- 10 MR. GRABEEL: 503.810.2770. E-mail is
- 11 move@allservicemoving.com.
- 12 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Great. Thank you.
- And appearing today on behalf of Staff?
- 14 MR. FASSIO: Michael Fassio, Assistant Attorney
- 15 General. My address is 1400 South Evergreen Park Drive
- 16 Southwest, P.O. Box 40128, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250.
- 17 My telephone number is 360.664.1192; fax:
- 18 360.586.5522; and my e-mail address is mfassio@utc.wa.gov.
- 19 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Thank you. It doesn't appear
- 20 that there's anyone in the hearing room today other than our own
- 21 Staff, who would be making an appearance.
- 22 Is there anyone on the conference bridge who would
- 23 like to make an appearance today?
- Hearing nothing, we'll go ahead and address
- 25 administrative issues, if either party has any that they would

- 1 like to bring before the Commission.
- 2 MR. GRABEEL: What is an administrative issue?
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: It would be, for example, if you
- 4 were to raise an objection about an exhibit. Now might be the
- 5 time to do that, or if you had any other procedural matters that
- 6 you wanted to raise at this time.
- 7 MR. GRABEEL: Procedural matters, I'm not sure if
- 8 that refers to the Court, or to -- or to the actual process of
- 9 the requirements, the requirements for them, for the UTC.
- 10 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: "The requirements" meaning the
- 11 requirements for your permit application?
- MR. GRABEEL: Yeah, correct.
- 13 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: That would be in the actual --
- 14 the actual hearing of the case, so witness testimony and that,
- 15 so, yeah.
- MR. GRABEEL: Okay. I'm good.
- 17 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Okay. Great. Thank you.
- 18 Well, let's go ahead and then begin with witness
- 19 testimony.
- I'm sorry. Mr. Fassio?
- 21 MR. FASSIO: No, excuse me, Your Honor. One minor
- 22 point.
- 23 I understand that Mr. Grabeel brought in an exhibit
- 24 today, and so I would like a copy of that now, if I could.
- MR. GRABEEL: Should I give it to you?

1 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Sure. Thank you. MR. GRABEEL: Do you need one, too? 2 3 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: I do. And the excess will be 4 needed -- you know, like I explained before, you'll need to file 5 those with the Commission at the Record Center desk. 6 MR. GRABEEL: No problem. 7 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Thank you. Okay. I have marked this exhibit as Exhibit JG-1 for the record. 8 9 (Exhibit No. JG-1 marked for identification.) 10 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Why don't we go ahead and swear 11 in the witnesses before we begin, and I'll just do it en masse. 12 So if Mr. Grabeel and Ms. Leipski will go ahead and 13 stand and raise your right hand. 14 15 JEFFREY GRABEEL and TINA LEIPSKI, witnesses herein, having been first duly sworn on oath, were 16 17 examined and testified as follows: 18 19 MS. LEIPSKI: Yes. 20 MR. GRABEEL: Yes. 21 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. You can both be seated. And before we begin, also, are there any objections 22 to the exhibits either offered by Mr. Grabeel or by Staff? 23 24 MR. FASSIO: Not from Staff.

JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Okay. Great.

- 1 And Mr. Grabeel?
- 2 MR. GRABEEL: No.
- 3 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Then I will go ahead and
- 4 admit those into the record just so we don't have to do that
- 5 during witness testimony.
- 6 (Exhibit Nos. TL-1 through TL-10, and JG-1 were
- 7 admitted into the record.)
- 8 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Since you have raised the issue
- 9 of the review of the dismissal, I'll go ahead and allow you to
- 10 speak first. You can treat this as testimony. You can give a
- 11 statement if you would like. Explain what has happened in your
- 12 own words, and then I will allow Mr. Fassio to cross-examine
- 13 you. And after he's done cross-examining you, you can respond
- 14 afterwards, what we would typically consider as redirect.
- MR. GRABEEL: Okay.
- 16 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: So if you would like to begin.
- 17 Is your microphone on? Is the red light on?
- 18 MR. GRABEEL: It's not.
- 19 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay.
- 20 MR. GRABEEL: Push the button?
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Perfect.
- MR. GRABEEL: It's on.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Great. Thank you.
- 24 MR. GRABEEL: Perfect. Okay. So I went into this
- 25 last year trying to get our household goods moving license

- 1 primarily so we could serve Vancouver, because we're based in
- 2 Portland, and so I got the application. Filled it out.
- 3 I thought I met other requirements -- and I didn't,
- 4 which is fine -- so I've spent the last -- since December, I
- 5 think, trying to get this license, but trying to do some -- or
- 6 register with some agencies that are impossible for an
- 7 out-of-state business to register with. So if I'm asked to do
- 8 things that are not possible, it's going to take time, and it's
- 9 difficult.
- 10 For example, one of the places they wanted me to
- 11 register with was the Department of Labor & Industry, which will
- 12 not register a company outside of the State. If you don't have
- 13 any basis in the State, if all of your employees come from
- 14 Oregon, they will not register you in Washington.
- 15 I was able -- after weeks of attempts, calls, and
- 16 being extremely annoying to them, I was able to get them to
- 17 register us, which they said that they weren't supposed to do
- 18 and if an issue came up, they would not keep us registered.
- 19 The Employment Security Department was the other one.
- 20 That one I did the same thing. I was annoying. I did
- 21 everything I could. They still refused to register. So Tina
- 22 said that they made an exception for that, for the Employment
- 23 Security Department because we could not do it, and that was
- 24 based on a law, RCW 50.04.110. And so they said that was okay,
- 25 and they were going to bypass that to get my application.

- I think the main point of this, from what I
- 2 understand, is that the business name that the State gave us is
- 3 a forced business name. We're not allowed to use our actual
- 4 business name in the State of Washington because there is a
- 5 company called "ASM, Incorporated," and our business name is
- 6 ASM, LLC.
- 7 So the Secretary of State made a business name for
- 8 us, told us this is what we were supposed to use, and that our
- 9 business name -- any business we do -- for example, when you
- 10 addressed me originally, you addressed that the business is ASM,
- 11 LLC, not ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving, LLC, like the
- 12 Secretary of State said.
- 13 Every document I have, minus the certificate from the
- 14 Secretary of State, says ASM, LLC and -- or doing business as
- 15 All Service Moving. It's not -- the business name is not ASM,
- 16 LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving. They told me to bring my
- 17 application in because it states clearly in the application the
- 18 name of the company that we have is ASM, LLC. The name to be
- 19 used in Washington State is All Service Moving, LLC. As far as
- 20 every document I have, minus the certificate they gave me, it
- 21 says ASM, LLC is our business name, including our insurance.
- 22 In addition, they also required -- the Secretary of
- 23 State also required us to show proof that we are registered in
- 24 our own state where we do business as, from the State of Oregon
- 25 Secretary of State, proof of the same name that we're

- 1 registering here in Washington, which is also ASM, LLC. From
- 2 what I understand, the big -- the big problem is, is our
- 3 insurance correlating with our business name.
- 4 Now, our insurance does correlate with our actual
- 5 business name, but from the -- the certificate the State gave us
- 6 doesn't correlate to that name, and there's no way it can,
- 7 because this is a forced business name, which, in turn, makes it
- 8 impossible -- another impossibility, in addition to the other
- 9 two, to get the household goods moving authority, if we're based
- in Portland, Oregon, and we don't start a new business.
- 11 The only way I could get a business name like this or
- 12 do business in Washington, apparently, is if I start a brand-new
- 13 company, and that means our company cannot do business in
- 14 Washington. I don't think Washington wants us to start a
- 15 brand-new business, but if I make a business called "ASM, LLC,
- 16 d/b/a All Service Moving, " I will have to have brand-new DOT
- 17 numbers, a new tax ID, new bank accounts, a new business
- 18 license, a new Washington application, and everything I've
- 19 already done in Washington would also have to be brand-new, too,
- 20 to relate to ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving.
- In addition, I would have to have different trucks.
- 22 I would have to have liability insurance for our moving, for our
- 23 trucks, workers' compensation, cargo, warehouse. Everything
- 24 would have to be an entirely new company to meet this
- 25 requirement.

- 1 Now, let me go back to the name that's on the
- 2 application. I didn't write anywhere in the application to the
- 3 Secretary of State ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving, was our
- 4 business name. That's a forced business name, and yet the
- 5 Secretary of State says that they recognize that. And if that's
- 6 in dispute, you can call them. They -- but they will not
- 7 call -- call you guys, so that's -- that's everything.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Thank you.
- 9 Mr. Fassio?
- 10 MR. FASSIO: Just a moment.

- 12 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. FASSIO:
- 14 Q. This is perhaps maybe a point of clarification.
- 15 I remember your testimony stating that the -- your
- 16 business name, as registered with the Secretary of State, is
- 17 ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving, LLC. I was confused.
- 18 Was your testimony that it's not in the same -- as
- 19 it's registered with the Department of Licensing?
- 20 A. I believe that every department I'm registered with
- 21 is registered as ASM, LLC, because that is our legal business
- 22 name.
- Q. Can I refer you to Staff's Exhibit No. TL-10?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And the first page of that exhibit is a page dated

- 1 2/28/2012, and -- do you see that? The entity name on that is
- 2 ASM, LLC; is that correct?
- 3 A. That is correct.
- 4 Q. Now, on the next page, page 2 of that, it's -- it is
- 5 another page, and it is dated at the bottom right-hand corner as
- 6 July 19, 2012.
- 7 And this also appears to be a business license from
- 8 the Department of Revenue and Department of Licensing; do you
- 9 agree, similar to the previous page?
- 10 A. It looks similar. Just a little blown up.
- 11 O. Yeah. And that entity name there says, "ASM LLC DBA
- 12 ALL SERVICE MOVING LLC"; is that correct?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. So does that name with the Department of Revenue and
- 15 Department of Licensing match what is on your, I guess, Exhibit
- 16 JG-1, which is your registration currently with the Secretary of
- 17 State?
- 18 A. Okay. The front page? Yes. That name does match
- 19 the front page of Exhibit JG-1.
- 20 Q. And on page 3 of TL-10 -- or I'm sorry -- page --
- 21 well, page 3 of TL-10, it's another page dated July 19, 2012.
- 22 This is a page for corporation detail from the
- 23 Secretary of State as well; do you agree?
- A. I'm sorry. Which page again?
- 25 Q. Page 3.

- 1 A. Page 3. (Witness reviews document.)
- 2 Yes. It looks like the Secretary of State.
- 3 Q. And that matches your corporate name as you
- 4 understand it today with the Secretary of State; is that
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And then page 4 is another page also dated July 19,
- 8 2012.
- 9 And this is a page taken from the Washington State
- 10 Department of Revenue State Business Records Database Detail; do
- 11 you agree?
- 12 A. To the best of my knowledge.
- 13 Q. And that entity name is the same as what we just
- 14 discussed?
- 15 A. Yep.
- 16 Q. And it has a business name, which may be a trade
- 17 name, of All Service Moving as well?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. So you would agree that with all of these agencies,
- 20 currently, this is your legal name as registered in Washington
- 21 State?
- 22 A. Not all of these agencies.
- What about -- what page would that be? Page 5? ASM,
- 24 LLC, legal business name?
- Q. Okay. Well, let's look at page 5. This appears to

- 1 be an Employer Liability Certificate from the Department of
- 2 Labor & Industries; would you agree?
- 3 A. I agree.
- 4 Q. And that legal business name on there is just simply
- 5 ASM, LLC; is that correct?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And it has a doing business name as All Service
- 8 Moving?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. So it does appear that at this point, with the
- 11 exception of Department of Labor & Industries -- so you have --
- 12 this name is different than the other -- than the other three
- 13 agencies we just mentioned?
- 14 A. That name, and the name on page 6 as well, with
- 15 safersys.org, which is the -- I believe the USDOT, how we're
- 16 registered.
- 17 Q. Okay. So you're currently registered with USDOT
- 18 under your name -- that's under your legal name ASM, LLC?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. And on the final page, too, which at the very top
- 22 says Snapshot of ASM, LLC.
- Q. Now, in this case, the Company -- or the Commission
- 24 dismissed your application on the basis that the insurance, the
- 25 name on your insurance does not match your -- the corporate name

- 1 as registered with the State agency; is that your understanding?
- 2 A. That is fully my understanding.
- 3 Q. Okay. And if I could direct you to Exhibit No. TL-9?
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 O. Do you recognize these exhibits, page 1 -- or this
- 6 exhibit, page 1 and page 2?
- 7 A. Form H, right?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. Okay. (Witness reviews document.)
- 10 You know, I can't say that I have seen these in
- 11 person, but they look like they're our insurance documents.
- 12 Q. The document is stamped as -- both of these documents
- 13 are stamped as received on December 13, 2011.
- 14 Would you agree that these documents were submitted
- 15 with your original application?
- 16 A. I believe so.
- 17 Q. And the name on the -- if I direct you to the fourth
- 18 line down on Form H, and can you read that name for me that's
- 19 listed under the "has issued to"?
- 20 A. Yes. It's (as read): "ASM LLC" -- and then in
- 21 quotations [sic] doing business as, meaning, "DBA," then "All
- 22 Service Moving."
- Q. Okay. And on Form E, the fourth line down where it
- 24 says "has issued to," can you read that for me?
- 25 A. "ASM, LLC DBA: ALL SERVICE MOVING."

- 1 Q. Since December 13, 2011, has the company submitted
- 2 any different insurance forms than these two forms?
- 3 A. No, not that I know of.
- 4 Q. So would you agree that the name on the insurance
- 5 forms that you have just named is different from the name that's
- 6 currently registered with the Secretary of State's office,
- 7 Department of Licensing and Department of Revenue --
- 8 A. Well, I would say that --
- 9 Q. -- as your entity name?
- 10 A. I would say this doesn't say a specific name. I
- 11 would agree that this has ASM, LLC. And then in our state, we
- 12 put d/b/a, if you're doing business as. You have two business
- 13 names. I could put as many business names as we do business as
- 14 that are registered. We register our business names.
- 15 So ASM, LLC is one name. D/b/a doing business as, is
- 16 not part of the name. All Service Moving is part of the name.
- 17 Q. However, that's in the State of Oregon --
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. -- correct?
- 20 A. Yes. And this came from the State of Oregon -- or,
- 21 no. It came from somewhere else, but it's for the State of
- 22 Oregon originally.
- Q. Okay. So this reflects that your corporate name is
- 24 ASM, LLC?
- 25 A. (Witness nods head.)

- 1 O. And then it has a tradename. That's the d/b/a
- 2 designation of All Service Moving?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Okay. Have you attempted since the application was
- 5 dismissed to obtain a certificate of insurance for Washington
- 6 State that has a business name that matches what is in the
- 7 Secretary of State's office? Have you attempted to get --
- 8 A. I have.
- 9 Q. -- an insurance carrier -- let me finish.
- 10 Have you attempted to get insurance forms that have
- 11 the same name as what you would currently be using on your
- 12 permit in Washington and as registered with the Secretary of
- 13 State?
- 14 A. Okay. I've had lengthy conversations with our
- 15 insurance agent, who's done a lot of research to find out that
- 16 we cannot add another business name without changing -- without
- 17 making a new policy.
- 18 We also attempted to put it as additionally insured,
- 19 which would not work with this application, I understand. They
- 20 said that the only way is if we can prove that we have a
- 21 business name called "ASM, LLC." We have to make a new policy.
- 22 And if we start a new business called "ASM, LLC," we
- 23 have to start a new business, which I have already gone over.
- 24 So I have made the attempts. I made pretty good attempts at it.
- 25 MR. FASSIO: All right. I don't have any further

- 1 questions at this time, Your Honor.
- 2 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Thank you. And did you wish to
- 3 make an additional statement regarding the questions that you
- 4 were asked by Staff?
- 5 MR. GRABEEL: Yes, I would.
- 6 Okay. So back to -- okay. So in regards to the
- 7 exhibit, 10, I would assume that most of these pulled their
- 8 business name off of the Secretary of State of Washington. I'm
- 9 guessing that's where they probably get these names, because
- 10 I've never listed these business names as ASM, LLC, d/b/a All
- 11 Service Moving, LLC, on any form I've ever filled out. So these
- 12 are probably all pulling it off of this document that's listed
- 13 with the Secretary of State. That would be a pretty good
- 14 assumption.
- 15 And just in addition, like I said, you guys have a
- 16 copy of my application which never -- I never asked for a
- 17 business called "ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving," and that's
- 18 it.
- 19 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Thank you. I have some
- 20 questions. Just give me a minute to organize my thoughts here.

- 22 EXAMINATION
- 23 BY JUDGE FRIEDLANDER:
- Q. Okay. First of all, you just said that you have
- 25 never listed a d/b/a with us on your application; is that

- 1 correct?
- 2 A. On which application?
- 3 Q. The application --
- 4 A. Oh, no. I have listed --
- 5 Q. -- you initially filed.
- 6 A. I have listed an actual d/b/a, doing business as
- 7 name, which is All Service Moving. I believe I put it in the
- 8 application. I did not list -- okay. Here's my application
- 9 right here for the household goods. I think this is the
- 10 house -- no, it's the Secretary of State. I have a copy of it
- 11 somewhere.
- 12 Q. Actually, it would be Exhibit TL-1.
- 13 A. TL-1. Thank you.
- Q. Sure. And I believe that's on the second page.
- 15 A. Okay. Perfect. TL-1, I listed our company name as
- 16 ASM, LLC.
- 17 Q. Right. And then your tradename right below that is?
- 18 A. All Service Moving.
- 19 Q. Okay. So what would -- I mean, it sounds to me that
- 20 the name that -- and I'll be asking Ms. Leipski about this
- 21 later, but the name that would go on your certificate from
- 22 Washington, it sounds to me that Staff is saying that that would
- 23 be ASM, LLC, doing business as All Service Moving, or All
- 24 Service Moving, LLC, depending on which name you chose.
- So here, your certificate it sounds to me, would be

- including your d/b/a?
- 2 A. Our certificate is including the d/b/a. It's
- 3 including it as one word -- or one sentence -- or one name, I
- 4 think, is what's going on.
- 5 Q. I see. So that, in your mind, is really where the
- 6 crux of this argument is?
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. Okay. So -- okay. Going back.
- 9 When you first started testifying, you said that
- 10 you're primarily intending to transport goods between Vancouver
- 11 and Portland; is that correct?
- 12 A. Vancouver to Vancouver. Battleground to Vancouver.
- 13 I already have an --
- 14 O. I see.
- 15 A. I already have interstate authority. I don't have
- 16 intrastate authority, so...
- 17 Q. I see. Okay. So this is basically from two points
- 18 within the State of Washington?
- 19 A. Exactly.
- 20 Q. Okay. And you said when you were being questioned by
- 21 Ms. Fassio that you had attempted to get insurance in the d/b/a
- 22 name; is that correct?
- 23 A. Our d/b/a name is insured, All Service Moving. I
- 24 mean, in Oregon, I think it's different. Oregon we have -- we
- 25 register with the Secretary of State for our legal name and --

- 1 Q. I'm sorry. I don't mean to interrupt.
- 2 But what is your -- it looks like from Exhibit JG-1,
- 3 your name in Oregon is ASM, LLC, and that's it; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yeah. And we have an additional registration for All
- 5 Service Moving. We pay \$50 every two years to keep our
- 6 tradename, so...
- 7 Q. So you have two separate registrations in Oregon?
- 8 A. Well, yeah. So we -- we actually pay to have the
- 9 tradename on there in addition to our Secretary of State
- 10 registration, so...
- 11 Q. Okay. So it's not two separate business, it's just a
- 12 d/b/a?
- 13 A. Exactly.
- 14 Q. And they made you register a second time?
- 15 A. They make us register ASM, LLC, and then they also
- 16 make us register All Service Moving --
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. -- not at the same time.
- 19 Q. I see. Okay. So then walk me through. When you
- 20 filed for authority here, you put ASM, LLC, doing business as
- 21 All Service Moving.
- 22 You're seeking just one certificate for both of those
- 23 names?
- 24 A. Yeah. We -- I mean, we only do business really as
- 25 All Service Moving --

- 1 Q. Right.
- 2 A. -- and ASM, LLC is just our legal name. Yeah. We're
- 3 seeking authority so we can do business as All Service Moving
- 4 here in Washington.
- 5 Q. Okay. And so you got your insurance for the
- 6 Washington authority -- or I'm sorry -- the Oregon authority and
- 7 filed that originally with your Washington application; is that
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. I think that they sent in the form just for
- 10 Washington, because it was a few years ago that we did Oregon.
- 11 O. So this insurance was specifically designed for
- 12 Washington? Was specifically procured for the Washington
- 13 license?
- 14 A. Based on the date, I would guess that they just did
- 15 it again, so -- because I don't think we've had to submit this
- 16 to Oregon for a while. But I'd have to check on that, so...
- 17 And I didn't see this form. They sent it directly.
- 18 Our agent had it sent in, so...
- 19 Q. I see. I guess I'm still a little confused about the
- 20 insurance, because it seems to me that you have one policy under
- 21 both names.
- 22 A. Yes, one policy for both names.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. Our tradename and our legal name.
- 25 Q. Okay. And so going back to what you said about the

- 1 Secretary of State of Washington, it seems that the main
- 2 difference between these two names, between what you have on
- 3 file at the Secretary of State's office and what you have here
- 4 is that last LLC; is that correct? The last LLC meaning, All
- 5 Service Moving, LLC.
- 6 A. Which was a problem. That was a forced business
- 7 name. They gave it to us. You know, I see them as two separate
- 8 things. I see this insurance, Form H, as listing two different
- 9 names. It doesn't say what's the name of the company as issued
- 10 to All Service Moving, though maybe you could consider it as the
- 11 same name. This is one name, is what I understand this as, and
- 12 this is two names on our insurance. Maybe -- so, yeah, I don't
- 13 know. There's also none in quotations, either.
- 14 Q. My understanding is that that would be considered by
- 15 the Commission as all one name, but I will definitely be asking
- 16 Ms. Leipski about that when she takes that stand.
- 17 If that's the case though, if that's what Washington
- 18 requires you to do, would you be willing to go back to the
- 19 insurance agent? I know you said you've discussed it with them,
- 20 and that they have done a lot of research. But it seems to me
- 21 if this policy was specifically set up for Washington, it should
- 22 be fairly easy to change. Just add an LLC?
- 23 A. They might not be willing to add an LLC. Actually,
- 24 the State of Washington said that -- Tina actually told me that
- 25 I -- that we need to drop one of the LLCs. Actually, I

- 1 believe -- she said we needed to drop one of the LLCs because
- 2 they wouldn't let us have this name as ASM, LLC, d/b/a All
- 3 Service Moving, LLC, originally.
- 4 Probably about maybe two or three months ago, she --
- 5 she agreed that she would let -- she found some way that they'll
- 6 allow us to have two LLCs in our name, because that's what this
- 7 says.
- 8 Q. Sure.
- 9 A. So she didn't want two LLCs either, and I believe my
- 10 insurance agent -- I think that might have been an issue, but I
- 11 would have to go back through our e-mails of having two LLCs.
- 12 Q. Okay. So if your insurance agent, though, could do
- 13 it -- I mean, it seems like --
- 14 A. Absolutely.
- 15 Q. -- from the exhibits that I have received from Staff,
- 16 it seems like the Staff's attorneys have agreed that they would
- 17 allow you to have two LLCs.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And if that's the only fix that Staff needs, it seems
- 20 like this would be a fairly simple fix.
- 21 A. If I could -- if I can do it. I can ask my insurance
- 22 agent, and I definitely will --
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. -- if it's possible. I just want this to get over
- 25 with, and I don't want a little LLC making -- making my life

- 1 miserable, so...
- 2 Q. And I don't think the State of Washington wants that
- 3 either.
- 4 But I think those are all the questions that I had
- 5 for you. I think right now I would like to hear from
- 6 Ms. Leipski, so thank you.
- 7 Mr. Fassio?
- 8 MR. FASSIO: Thank you, Your Honor.

- 10 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. FASSIO:
- 12 Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Leipski.
- 13 A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Could you please state and spell your first and last
- 15 name for the record.
- 16 A. Tina Leipski. T-i-n-a; last name L-e-i-p-s-k-i.
- Q. Who is your employer?
- 18 A. State of Washington, UTC.
- 19 Q. And what is your position with the Commission?
- 20 A. Transportation Specialist III.
- 21 Q. And how long have you held this position?
- 22 A. About six years.
- Q. Would you please describe your duties as they relate
- 24 to this case?
- 25 A. I process household goods applications, reviewing and

- 1 issuing permits.
- Q. I'm going to ask you a few questions about -- general
- 3 questions about processing applications, and then specific
- 4 questions about the processing of this application, and then
- 5 your recommendations to the Commission, and then responding to
- 6 some of the things that Mr. Grabeel has already testified about.
- 7 When Staff processes an application for household
- 8 goods carrier permit, does it review the application for
- 9 completeness?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Can you give us some examples of things that are
- 12 reviewed for completeness?
- 13 A. Making sure the three support statements are
- 14 attached; reviewing the UBI number; seeing if it's a corporation
- 15 registered with the Secretary of State's office; Labor &
- 16 Industries; Employment Security; and we make sure that they have
- 17 the correct insurance on file.
- 18 Q. So putting it in another way, would an application be
- 19 considered incomplete if an applicant hadn't properly registered
- 20 to do business in Washington with the Secretary of State and
- 21 other agencies that it was required to register with?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you also make -- do you also look to make sure
- 24 that the permitted name of the applicant matches the legal name
- 25 that is licensed to operate in Washington?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you mentioned insurance?
- 3 A. Mm-hm.
- 4 Q. Do you look to see that the application has the
- 5 required proof of insurance on file?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. And is it your understanding that in order for the
- 8 proof of insurance to be complete and for the application then
- 9 to be complete, that it has to show the company's legal business
- 10 name exactly as it's going to show on the company's permit?
- 11 A. That's correct; per WAC 40.15.530.
- 12 Q. When the Staff reviews an application, if it finds
- 13 it's incomplete in some way, does it have a process for
- 14 addressing that?
- 15 A. Yes. We issue them a Notice of Deficient Application
- 16 letter with the deficiencies listed.
- 17 Q. And if it remains incomplete after a certain period
- 18 of time, is it customary for Staff to recommend that the
- 19 Commission dismiss the application?
- 20 A. We usually hold on to them for 90 days. We follow up
- 21 every 30. But in this case, he would -- Mr. Grabeel called and
- 22 said he was working on it, so we extended the deadline for
- 23 dismissing the application.
- 24 Q. Okay. Let me ask you just a few questions about this
- 25 particular application and your processing of it.

- 1 First, for the record, when did the Commission
- 2 receive the application?
- 3 A. December 14, 2011.
- 4 Q. And for what authority is the company seeking?
- 5 A. Permanent household goods moving permit.
- 6 Q. And that is Exhibit 1, TL-1?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. When you reviewed the application, was it complete
- 9 when it was filed?
- 10 A. No, it was not.
- 11 Q. And what things were identified as being incomplete
- 12 at that time?
- 13 A. There was a -- the UBI number was missing, so I
- 14 couldn't do any lookups, because that is the main number that we
- 15 do all our checks on. And there were some support statements
- 16 missing, and the other registrations with the Department of
- 17 Labor & Industries and Employment Security were marked "no" on
- 18 the application.
- 19 Q. And what initial actions did Staff take?
- 20 A. We sent them a deficient letter requesting that
- 21 information on January 6th.
- 22 Q. And referring to Exhibit TL-2, is that a copy of that
- 23 letter?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. Did you follow up with any additional notices?

- 1 A. Yes. On January 30th, I sent another one asking for
- 2 the same things: The UBI number -- oh, no. I had the UBI
- 3 number then, but they were not registered with the Secretary of
- 4 State's office.
- 5 O. Okay. And that's Exhibit TL-3?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And then after that letter, did you follow up with
- 8 any additional letter?
- 9 A. Yes. I sent another one on February 28th, stating
- 10 that they still hadn't registered with the Secretary of State's
- 11 office. And the support statements were still missing, as well
- 12 as the Department of Labor & Industries and Employment Security
- 13 registrations.
- 14 Q. Let me just ask you while we're on this one. This is
- 15 Exhibit TL-4.
- 16 Prior to the Company's application being dismissed,
- 17 did you receive the required support statements from --
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. -- the company?
- 20 And this notice also talks about Department of Labor
- 21 & Industry.
- 22 Is it your understanding as of today, that -- that
- 23 there is a -- they are registered or they have a registration on
- 24 file with them?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And just for completeness, that's Exhibit TL-10 on
- 2 page 5; is that right?
- 3 A. (Witness reviews document.)
- 4 That's the Labor & Industries, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. And these letters also discuss registration
- 6 with the Employment Security Department, and I know
- 7 Mr. Grabeel's already testified about -- that that issue has
- 8 apparently been resolved.
- 9 Is that your understanding as well?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And just referring to Exhibit TL-7, this is a copy of
- 12 correspondence between the company and the Employment Security
- 13 Department, and you're also including yourself; is that right?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. And what's your understanding with the requirements
- 16 that ESD has with this Company?
- 17 A. They made the decision not to establish an account
- 18 for this LLC per RCW 50.04.110.
- 19 Q. Okay. Now, after the February 28th letter that
- 20 you've already testified about, did you send any follow-up
- 21 letters?
- 22 A. I did. I sent one on March 29th with -- as a final
- 23 notice saying the application would be dismissed on April 27th
- 24 if the name -- that's when I was having an issue with the two
- 25 LLCs in there. Then I got legal clarification, and he had

- 1 called me on 4/20 asking for more time to get his stuff
- 2 together.
- 3 Q. Okay. So as Mr. Grabeel's testified about, there was
- 4 an issue -- and please correct my understanding if I'm
- 5 incorrect -- that there was an issue with the fact the name
- 6 appears to show LLC in it twice; however, you have since
- 7 resolved that issue?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And now can you explain -- can you explain perhaps
- 10 why the name is fine in your estimation?
- 11 A. Now?
- 12 Q. Yeah, why it's an acceptable name.
- 13 A. The Secretary of State went ahead and registered it,
- 14 so that's normally what we go by.
- 15 Q. Okay. And then looking at that name, do you find
- 16 that the corporate designation of LLC is what's reflected at the
- 17 very end of that name?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And everything that precedes it is part of the legal
- 20 name?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. And it's not -- even though it says d/b/a All Service
- 23 Moving, that is technically part of the legal name?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. So they could operate as a tradename -- they could

- 1 operate and have additional tradenames or other tradenames as
- 2 well?
- 3 A. Yes, as long as they're registered with the
- 4 Department of Licensing.
- 5 Q. Okay. And after that March 29th letter, did you send
- 6 any follow-up letters?
- 7 A. I did. I sent another one on May 17th recalling our
- 8 phone call on April 20th when I extended the time, and I let him
- 9 know what was still needed.
- 10 The UBI number was still different names in different
- 11 places, and the registrations were different. I told him I
- 12 would dismiss on June 18th, because now the name with the
- 13 Secretary of State's office was different from Department of
- 14 Licensing.
- 15 Q. Okay. And after May 17th, did you follow up and
- 16 notify the company of any additional issues that you discovered
- 17 now that the issue of -- okay. Let me step back.
- 18 By this time, the issue of the Company's name was
- 19 registered with the Secretary of State, that was resolved in
- 20 your opinion?
- 21 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 22 Q. In other words, it would be sufficient, and the
- 23 Commission could issue a permit taking the name that the
- 24 Secretary of State has licensed him as?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. And, however, at that time, did you identify a new
- 2 issue that needed to be resolved?
- 3 A. The insurance still didn't have the LLC designation
- 4 at the end of it.
- 5 Q. And referring to Exhibit TL-8, is this a -- is this a
- 6 copy of the notification that you sent to the Company reflecting
- 7 that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. So is it correct on the 25th, you notified them of
- 10 what their insurance must read?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And after May 25th, did you receive anything from the
- 13 Company with new insurance?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And at that time what did you recommend to the
- 16 Commission?
- 17 A. To dismiss the application.
- 18 Q. On?
- 19 A. Due to lack of requirements met.
- Q. And specifically?
- 21 A. The insurance in the proper name.
- 22 Q. And since the application has been dismissed, have
- 23 you received any additional -- have you received anything from
- the Company?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Have you communicated with the Company in any way?
- 2 A. There's been, I think, one e-mail.
- 3 Q. And so you have e-mailed the Company?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 O. And what was just the general nature of that?
- 6 A. Letting him know what was still needed.
- 7 Q. And so just to be clear for the record, in order to
- 8 have this as a complete application, what specifically as of
- 9 this date would be necessary?
- 10 A. To get the insurance in the correct name.
- 11 O. And that correct name is?
- 12 A. ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving, LLC.
- 13 Q. Thank you.
- MR. FASSIO: I don't have any further questions at
- 15 this time.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Thank you.
- 17 Mr. Grabeel, did you wish to ask Ms. Leipski any
- 18 questions of clarification?
- MR. GRABEEL: Yes.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Go ahead.

- 22 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. GRABEEL:
- Q. Tina, do you know what d/b/a means?
- 25 A. Tradename. Doing business as.

- 1 Q. Doing business as. And you say that ASM, LLC, d/b/a
- 2 All Service Moving, LLC, is considered -- you think it's -- you
- 3 personally view it as one big name, right? ASM, LLC, d/b/a All
- 4 Service Moving, LLC, is one big name, and you can have
- 5 additional tradenames after that.
- 6 So if you consider that one name, I can't break that
- 7 into two. I can't break that into ASM, LLC, and I can't break
- 8 that into All Service Moving, LLC.
- 9 You understand what a d/b/a is, which it says d/b/a
- 10 on the name, so I don't -- I can't see any reason why anybody
- 11 would put d/b/a in a name other than that, so I think it's
- 12 self-clarifying that it does say two different names.
- 13 A. Well, in our state, you can register extra tradenames
- 14 that go underneath the legal name. You can have as many
- 15 tradenames, d/b/a's as you want, as long as they're registered
- 16 properly. But the legal name is a legal name still.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Has a designation.
- 19 Q. So it has to be ASM, LLC -- to use the name ASM, LLC,
- 20 I would have to add ASM, LLC, All Service Moving, LLC as my
- 21 legal name, and then I can use ASM, LLC as tradename, and I can
- 22 use All Service Moving, LLC as a tradename; is that correct?
- 23 A. LLCs designate a company, so most of the time
- 24 tradenames don't have LLCs.
- Q. All right. My next question would be: Do you recall

- 1 how many times I had to contact you regarding the Employment
- 2 Security Department and the Department of Labor & Industry, how
- 3 long that process took, because they would not register me?
- 4 A. Yes, you called me.
- 5 Q. I called you multiple times, numerous times, and I
- 6 tried to harass you just as much as I was harassing them. And I
- 7 apologize, but there's nothing I could do.
- 8 I think that -- well, let me ask you another
- 9 question: How often do you see a business in -- how often do
- 10 you see a business try to register in the State of Washington, a
- 11 moving company, who has no -- no appearance that we run actually
- 12 in Washington?
- 13 A. We have a few of those that --
- 14 O. A few of those?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Now, it seems to me that most of the requirements --
- 17 maybe not most, but a lot of the requirements the UTC requires
- 18 are impossible for a company outside of the State with no --
- 19 that doesn't have a place in Washington to actually get.
- 20 A. Actually, we haven't run into that with the other
- 21 companies.
- 22 Q. So they were able to register with the Employment
- 23 Security Department and the Department of Labor & Industry?
- 24 A. Correct. It's a requirement per the rules.
- 25 Q. Yeah. Well, they both told me -- and one of them

- 1 sent you a letter -- that said that they would not register me
- 2 and the other one was very clear that they wouldn't but they
- 3 did.
- 4 A. Mm-hm.
- 5 Q. I'm not sure how the other companies did it, but if
- 6 those agencies will not -- are not supposed to register us, I
- 7 don't think that should be a requirement for the UTC. But
- 8 that's something completely different.
- 9 The Secretary of State is -- it's a forced tradename.
- 10 You know, that's -- that's -- I guess it has to meet up with our
- insurance, but our insurance doesn't say that it's our business
- 12 name, so I don't know.
- 13 MR. FASSIO: Your Honor, if I may, this is an
- 14 opportunity to ask questions of Ms. Leipski, and I appreciate
- 15 that this is also testimony of Mr. Grabeel. I just wanted to
- 16 point that out that if he could ask questions.
- 17 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Understood.
- 18 And I understand that you're a pro se witness,
- 19 meaning that you're not represented. But if you could combine
- 20 your questions specifically to asking for information out of
- 21 Ms. Leipski and refrain from testifying -- I can allow both
- 22 counsels to give closing statements if you would like, but you
- 23 should really confine yourself to asking questions only.
- 24 MR. GRABEEL: Okay. I apologize. I have one last
- 25 question.

- 1 BY MR. GRABEEL:
- 2 Q. Do you think that for an out-of-state company the
- 3 requirements for the UTC are not possible?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 MR. GRABEEL: That's it.
- 6 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Thank you.
- 7 And did you have any redirect?
- 8 MR. FASSIO: No.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Thank you. I'm going to
- 10 look at my notes and see if I have any clarification questions
- 11 for you, Ms. Leipski.

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- 13 EXAMINATION
- 14 BY JUDGE FRIEDLANDER:
- 15 Q. One question I did have was that you noted the
- 16 only -- the only requirement that is still outstanding for ASM,
- 17 LLC, d/b/a All Service Moving, LLC, is the insurance in that
- 18 name; is that correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- Q. Okay. And that's what I got from the order
- 21 dismissing the application, but I didn't see in the exhibit the
- 22 three supporting statements that were all from Washington
- 23 residents.
- Is that something that the Commission waived, or did
- 25 you receive three statements?

- 1 A. I received three statements.
- 2 Q. Okay. Okay. So that requirement has been met as
- 3 well?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And as Mr. Grabeel was questioning you about earlier,
- 6 you've never ran into the problem of companies not being able to
- 7 meet the requirements of ESD, the Employment Security division,
- 8 or L&I, the Labor & Industries?
- 9 A. I haven't. It's been recently that we've been
- 10 requiring it, though.
- 11 Q. I see. I see.
- 12 A. Probably the past year, so...
- 13 Q. I see. Okay. Thank you.
- 14 A. Yeah.
- 15 Q. So just to clarify, under direct you said to
- 16 Ms. Fassio the Commission treats ASM, LLC, d/b/a All Service
- 17 Moving, LLC, as one name?
- 18 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 19 Q. The d/b/a is just part of the -- what we consider to
- 20 be the legal name of the company.
- 21 Is that what the permit would have been issued in?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Was the Company given a provisional permit?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Okay. Because the insurance is still in the

- 1 incorrect name?
- 2 A. We never did. I mean, we dismissed the application.
- 3 Q. Right.
- 4 A. We never issued anything.
- 5 Q. Okay. I see. If he were to get insurance with the
- 6 correct name, would Staff consider, I guess, requesting that the
- 7 order be dismissed or requesting that we vacate the order in
- 8 order to allow for this one requirement to fulfill his
- 9 application?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. If that were to happen, though, I'm
- 12 guessing -- because it looks like his USDOT and the MC numbers
- 13 are under a different name.
- 14 Would that jeopardize his USDOT and the MC numbers?
- 15 And I know you're not an attorney, but your experience with the
- 16 federal requirements, would he then have to go and change those
- 17 names as well?
- 18 A. Normally, those have to match also, but we had heard
- 19 that we could get an intrastate USDOT number, which has this
- 20 name on it, and that would clear that up.
- 21 Q. I see. I see. Okay. So the federal government,
- 22 U.S. Department of Transportation, could potentially issue an
- 23 intrastate license or permit?
- A. Number.
- 25 Q. Number?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Okay.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. That's all of the
- 4 questions that I have.
- Before we close today, did the parties wish to give
- 6 any closing statements? I think I have quite a bit of
- 7 information before me, and I -- I certainly understand your
- 8 frustration with the different agency requirements, and I
- 9 applaud Staff also for working with the Company and for
- 10 interpreting the regulations. It's not always an easy task.
- 11 The main thing is protecting consumers. We certainly
- 12 want to do business with companies, and we want companies to do
- 13 business within the State of Washington. But we also have to
- 14 protect the consumers, and I believe that's why the requirement
- 15 in there in our regs is dealing with the insurance and having it
- 16 in the same name.
- Did the parties wish to make any closing statements?
- 18 Mr. Grabeel?
- 19 MR. GRABEEL: I'll make a closing statement.
- 20 Well, actually, can I ask a question right now?
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: You can. Sure.
- MR. GRABEEL: I just want to know what exactly is an
- 23 intrastate permit number.
- 24 MS. LEIPSKI: It's a USDOT number, and it's -- it
- 25 would -- would just be a tracking number they issue. Like your

- 1 USDOT number that you have now, that's interstate. This one
- 2 would be intrastate only.
- 3 MR. GRABEEL: So if I'm doing interstate moving from
- 4 Oregon to Washington, what number would I -- I would still use
- 5 my regular interstate number?
- 6 MS. LEIPSKI: Correct.
- 7 MR. GRABEEL: My closing statement is based on the
- 8 UTC. I really do appreciate you doing a good job and helping
- 9 me. I wish that there wasn't these problems.
- 10 Our business is a really good one, and I think that
- 11 our area where we serve, especially Vancouver -- all the areas
- 12 in Washington right around us, they're in bad need of a good
- 13 company, and what's why we're wanting to go over there and do
- 14 this. So I hope it works out. That's my statement.
- 15 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Thank you. I appreciate that.
- 16 Mr. Fassio, did you have a closing statement?
- MR. FASSIO: Yes, very brief, Your Honor.
- 18 First, Staff does understand that some of these
- 19 issues for an out-of-state company working in Washington State
- 20 with federal agencies can be difficult.
- 21 However, in this case, the Commission did properly
- 22 dismiss the application for the basis -- on the basis of an
- 23 incomplete application because the insurance wasn't in the --
- 24 was not in the right name.
- 25 Staff, in light of the -- in light of the --

- 1 Mr. Grabeel's testimony that he -- he would be willing and
- 2 perhaps able to contact his insurance company and find out if it
- 3 is possible to get insurance in the correct name that would
- 4 enable him to have a permit, that Staff would support perhaps
- 5 leaving this -- leaving this case open for a limited period of
- 6 time to enable him to file correct papers with the Commission in
- 7 order that the application can be further processed.
- 8 So I guess to summarize the recommendation there, if
- 9 he were to file such papers in a reasonable amount of time, then
- 10 the Commission would support vacating the dismissal order and
- 11 returning this case to licensing for further processing.
- 12 However, in the event that he is not able to procure
- 13 those documents within a reasonable period of time, then Staff
- 14 would support upholding the dismissal and that he would be free
- 15 to apply at a future date.
- 16 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. And then I guess my legal
- 17 question would then be: Is he prohibited, I guess, from
- 18 refiling an application? Since he has been dismissed, does he
- 19 have to wait the six months before reapplying?
- MS. LEIPSKI: No.
- 21 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Okay. Thank you.
- 22 Okay. So taking into account Staff's recommendation
- 23 and all of the testimony that I have heard today, I would like
- 24 to hold this record open.
- 25 I am, however, bound by the BAP rules which prevent

- 1 me from taking any longer than ten days to issue -- to enter an
- 2 initial order. I'm going to check and see if there's any way
- 3 around that, if the Commission can change this proceeding to
- 4 atypical adjudicative -- yes, Mr. Fassio?
- 5 MR. FASSIO: I have one suggestion, Your Honor.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay.
- 7 MR. FASSIO: Which would be that you could issue an
- 8 initial order that provides for a deadline by which the Company
- 9 can file.
- 10 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: That's true. That's true.
- 11 MR. FASSIO: And perhaps an interlocutory order or
- 12 some form of --
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Right.
- 14 MR. FASSIO: -- way that the order could specify a
- 15 date by which the Company needs to file paperwork. And then in
- 16 the event -- you know, and then kind of prospectively...
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: I see what you're saying. I see
- 18 what you're saying. And hold it open conditionally.
- 19 MR. FASSIO: Conditionally.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Staff had recommended a
- 21 reasonable time which to hold this open.
- 22 Mr. Grabeel, do you have any idea how long it might
- 23 take you to contact the insurance company and possibly get a
- 24 revised paper adding just that LLC designation to the end of the
- 25 name?

- 1 MR. GRABEEL: Well, we can get -- I do additionally
- 2 insured, and that only takes about seven days. I'm sure it
- 3 would be something similar.
- 4 The only issue is that they might not do it, so...
- 5 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. And I understand that, you
- 6 know, at this moment we don't know what your insurance will or
- 7 won't do.
- 8 But would you say 30 days, even, would be a
- 9 reasonable amount of time?
- MR. GRABEEL: More than reasonable.
- 11 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Okay. All right. Then
- 12 I'm going to hold this -- I'm going to take everything under
- 13 advisement, and I will be issuing an initial order within ten
- 14 days, and we'll go from there.
- 15 I appreciate all of the testimony, and unless anybody
- 16 has anything further, then we're adjourned.
- MR. GRABEEL: I have one question.
- 18 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Oh, I'm sorry. Okay. We're not
- 19 adjourned. We're back on the record. Sorry, Shelby.
- 20 MR. GRABEEL: I don't know who could answer this.
- 21 In the event that they do not do it, they do not
- 22 allow the LLC at the end, I still have the problem where I have
- 23 this registered name, and I still have to create a new business
- 24 if I can't get this registered.
- 25 So if I change the name to, for example, Portland

- 1 Moving, some random name and have that insured and listed as an
- 2 additional -- or as a tradename here in Portland, I think that
- 3 that might work if I had it like -- well, I have to have an LLC,
- 4 too.
- JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: You know what? And, actually,
- 6 those are questions you might be able to talk to Ms. Leipski
- 7 about off the record, because we're just dealing right now with
- 8 the application that you filed. So whatever you have on record
- 9 is what is in the evidence today, and that's what I'm going to
- 10 base my decision on.
- 11 But I would be willing at this time to give you 30
- 12 additional days to have your insurance company at least look
- 13 into adding that LLC to the policy since it appears that that
- 14 was obtained specifically for the Washington Commission.
- MR. GRABEEL: Yeah.
- 16 MR. FASSIO: And if I may just briefly respond.
- 17 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Sure.
- 18 MR. FASSIO: That Commission Staff and Ms. Leipski
- 19 and the licensing department is available to answer any
- 20 questions that he would have in the interim about these issues.
- 21 JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Certainly. I appreciate that.
- 22 Thank you.
- Okay. Is there anything further?
- MR. GRABEEL: Thank you.
- MR. FASSIO: No.

1		JUDGE FRIEDLANDER: Okay. Great. Okay. We are
2	adjourned,	then. Thank you.
3		MR. FASSIO: Thank you.
4		(Proceeding adjourned at 2:29 p.m.)
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