April 13, 2016

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Utilities and Transportation Commission

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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Dexter Petrie and Dexter Wendler d/b/a Budget Family Moving*

Commission Staff’s Recommendation to Impose Suspended Penalties

 Docket TV-151655

Dear Mr. King:

On Nov. 19, 2015, the Utilities and Transportation Commission entered Order 03, which classified Dexter Petrie and Dexter Wendler d/b/a Budget Family Moving (Mr. Petrie and Mr. Wendler) as a household goods carrier. In Order 03, Mr. Petrie and Mr. Wendler were assessed a $5,000 penalty for violations of RCW 81.80.075(1), which prohibits household goods carriers from operating for compensation in Washington without first obtaining the required permit from the commission. A portion of the penalty, $4,500, was suspended for a period of two years on the condition that Mr. Petrie and Mr. Wendler pay the $500 remainder of the penalty due and cease and desist operating as a household goods carrier without a permit.

Order 03 specified that a payment in the amount of $500 was due within 10 days of the effective date of the Order. If the payment was missed, the entire amount of the penalty, including the suspended portion of $4,500, would become immediately due and payable. Mr. Petrie and Mr. Wendler failed to make any payment.

Staff recommends the suspended $4,500 penalty be imposed for violating a commission order by failing to make the required payment of $500 within 10 days of the effective date of the Order.

Sincerely,

Susie Paul, Acting Assistant Director

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