[Service Date December 6, 2007] WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PENALTIES INCURRED AND DUE FOR VIOLATIONS OF LAWS AND RULES

PENALTY ASSESSMENT: TV-072234 PENALTY AMOUNT: \$2,000

HOUSEHOLD GOODS CARRIER: Daniel John Busby d/b/a Careful Movers 12529 Highway 99 Everett, Washington 98204-5506

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) believes that you have committed a violation of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 81.80.070 by transporting household goods for compensation on the public highways of the state of Washington without the necessary permit required for such operations. RCW 81.80.070(4) allows penalties of \$1,500 for every such violation. The Commission also believes you have committed a violation of RCW 81.80.357, which requires a commission permit number be listed in any advertisement of household goods moving services. RCW 81.80.357 allows penalties of up to \$500 for every such violation.

As a result, the Commission hereby notifies you that it has assessed penalties against you in the amount \$2,000, as follows:

The Commission has evidence that on December 23, 2006, Careful Movers transported household goods from a residence in north Seattle to a residence near downtown Seattle. Careful Movers charged \$495.25 for performing the December 23, 2006, move. Careful Movers' household goods permit was canceled February 9, 2006. Therefore, Careful Movers is not authorized to transport household goods for compensation on the public highways of Washington.

The Commission also has evidence that Careful Movers advertises its services on a Web site (<u>www.carefulmovers.net</u>) without listing the required Commission permit number.

This information, if proved at a hearing and not rebutted or explained, is sufficient to support the penalty assessment.

Your penalty is due and payable now. If you believe the violations did not occur, you may request a hearing to contest the penalty assessment. If there is a reason for the violations that

you think should excuse you from the penalty, you may ask for mitigation (reduction) of this penalty. See RCW 81.04.405.

You have the right to present your request for review or mitigation at a hearing, but you are not required to do so. If you do, the Commission will review the evidence supporting your request in a hearing before an administrative law judge. The administrative law judge will consider your plea and notify you of his or her decision.

You must act within 15 days after receiving this notice to do one of the following:

- Pay the amount due.
- Request a hearing to contest the occurrence of the violations.
- Request mitigation to contest the amount of the penalty.

Please indicate your selection on the enclosed form and send it to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Post Office Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250, **within FIFTEEN (15) days** after you receive this notice.

If you do not act within 15 days, the Commission may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General for collection. The Commission may then sue you to collect the penalty.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective December 6, 2007.

ANN E. RENDAHL Administrative Law Judge

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PLEASE NOTE: You must complete and sign this document, and send it to the Commission within 15 days after you receive the penalty assessment. Use additional paper if needed.

I have read and understand RCW 9A.72.020 (printed below), which states that making false statements under oath is a class B felony. I am over the age of 18, am competent to testify to the matters set forth below and I have personal knowledge of those matters. I hereby make, under oath, the following statements.

- [] 1. Payment of penalty. I admit that the violations occurred and enclose \$2,000 in payment of the penalty.
- [] 2. Request for a hearing. I believe that the alleged violations did not occur, based on the following information, and request a hearing for a decision by an administrative law judge:
- [] 3. Application for mitigation. I admit the violations, but I believe that the penalty should be reduced for the reason(s) set out below.
 - [] a) I ask for a hearing for a decision by an administrative law judge.
 - OR [] b) I waive a hearing and ask for an administrative decision on the information I present here.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing, including information I have presented on any attachments, is true and correct.

Dated: _____ [month/day/year], at _____ [city, state]

Name of Respondent (company) – please printSignature of Applicant

RCW 9A.72.020:

[&]quot;Perjury in the first degree. (1) A person is guilty of perjury in the first degree if in any official proceeding he makes a materially false statement which he knows to be false under an oath required or authorized by law. (2) Knowledge of the materiality of the statement is not an element of this crime, and the actor's mistaken belief that his statement was not material is not a defense to a prosecution under this section. (3) Perjury in the first degree is a class B felony."