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To: 'randy@ekomovers.com' Cc: Stillwell, Suzanne (UTC) Subject: **HHG Application Protest** 

Randy,

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Your application for a household goods moving permit in Washington has been formally protested by Eco-Movers under the provisions of WAC 480-15-139 (2), which states that "a carrier may not operate under a name that is similar to another carrier unless one of the following conditions applies:

- (a) The carrier whose name is similar has given written permission to use the name. Eco-Movers has strongly implied that they will not be open to this.
- (b) The commission authorizes use of the similar name. Before authorizing use of a similar name, the commission must first determine that the use of the similar name will not mislead the shipping public or result in unfair or destructive competitive practices. Commission Staff believes that Eko-Movers USA is so similar to Eco-Movers, that it could mislead the public.

You will need to select a different trade name for us to approve this application. Please include this new trade name on the updated application form that I emailed you last week. If you would like to check on any other trade names before settling on one, feel free to forward your ideas to me and I will check to see if they will meet the criteria of WAC 480-15-139.

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