

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Determining the Proper
Carrier Classification of, and Complaint
for Penalties Against:

RAY HAHNE

DOCKET TG-190844

DECLARATION OF
KATHRYN MCPHERSON

Kathryn McPherson, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) as an investigator in the Solid Waste Enforcement program within the Transportation Safety Division. As an investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate transportation companies that may be operating without the required Commission-issued certificate.
2. On September 10, 2019, I received an email and photo with information that Ray Hahne (Ray Hahne or Company) advertised on Facebook social media as a solid waste carrier.¹
3. On September 12, 2019, Ray Hahne's Facebook page showed an advertisement dated August 30, 2019, stating "Still doing dump runs."²
4. On September 12, 2019, I searched Washington State Department of Revenue's (DOR) records and found no record that Ray Hahne has, or has had, a business license.
5. On September 12, 2019, I reviewed Commission records and determined that Ray Hahne has no authority to operate as a solid waste carrier in the state of Washington.
6. On September 12, 2019, a LexisNexis Accurint search produced an address of 232 14th Ave SW, Ephrata, Washington, 98823, for Ray Hahne.³
7. On September 18, 2019, I sent a letter to Ray Hahne at 232 14th Ave SW, Ephrata, Washington, 98823, stating that the Commission believes his business violates

¹ See Attachment A email complaint referral and a copy of advertisement provided in complaint referral.

² See Attachment B for copy of Facebook post.

³ See Attachment C for copy of Accurint Search

Commission rules by operating as a solid waste carrier without the required certificate.⁴ The Company was required to respond by October 2, 2019, by either submitting a complete application for solid waste transportation certificate, or by explaining in writing why the company does not require a solid waste certificate. The company failed to respond by October 2, 2019.

8. On October 9, 2019, I researched Ray Hahne's Facebook page and found an advertisement for solid waste service dated October 5, 2019.⁵
9. On October 9, 2019, using an assumed name, I responded to Ray Hahne's Facebook Marketplace advertisement through Facebook Messenger. I explained that I needed garbage transported to the dump. I told Ray Hahne I had about eight black bags of garbage that I needed taken to the dump, but the garbage company wanted to charge extra to have it removed. The messages included a photo of approximately eight large black garbage bags. Mr. Hahne agreed to transport the garbage for thirty dollars.⁶

DATED this 15th day of October, 2019, at Lacey, Washington.

Kathryn McPherson

⁴ See Attachment D for a copy of the compliance letter dated September 18, 2019, sent to Mr. Hahne.

⁵ See Attachment E for copy of advertisement found October 9, 2019.

⁶ Attachment F Facebook Messenger communication with Mr. Hahne regarding solid waste service booking.

Attachment A

McPherson, Kathryn (UTC)

From: Rod Whittaker <rod@wrra.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 2:48 PM
To: McPherson, Kathryn (UTC); UTC DL Report Illegal Solid Waste Hauler
Cc: Brad Lovaas; 'Mark Wash'; jamesells@comcast.net
Subject: Illegal Hauler Report
Attachments: Ad1.jpg; Ad2.jpg

Kathy,

Hope you are doing well and had a good summer.

One of our member companies, Consolidated Disposal Services, has found advertising for two potential illegal haulers operating out of Grant County and Moses Lake.

See the attached ad that offers "14 yd dump bin dropped at your location 1 week. Price includes a 2 ton dump any additional dumps are \$175. Call or text 509 793 3369." I did not complete an illegal hauler ID form because most of the information it calls for is not available, however see the notes below.

First Illegal Hauler Ad:

- Business name unknown.
- Owners are Mark and Suzaane Vandeweghe
- Phone number works, address unknown, though google has possible results.
- Mark Wash, VP/GM with Consolidated Disposal Services (contact info below) has seen several ads for this company and contacted them in the past. He explained that the service they are providing is likely regulated by the UTC, but the company continues to advertise.
- Ad may have been posted to this Facebook group (though I could not find it).

Second Illegal Hauler Ad:

- Posted to same Facebook group mentioned above
https://www.facebook.com/groups/685583078140718/permalink/2633966519969021/?sale_post_id=2633966519969021. Ad includes link to personal Facebook profile.
- Owner is Ray Hahne, Ephrata
- Advertises "Trash , appliances dump runs well need pic of what you need hauled to give you a quote thank you. 509 771 0812"

Mark Wash, manager for Consolidated Disposal referred this to us and should be the follow-up for any questions. He brought this to our attention and has spoken with the owners of the first company mentioned. His contact information is Mark Wash, VP/General Manager Consolidated Disposal Services, mark@cdisidd.com 509-754-2468.

Thanks Kathy, let us know if there is anything we can do to assist.

Rod Whittaker
Associate Counsel



4160 6th Ave. SE Suite 205
 Lacey, WA 98503

 **Ray Hahne** ▸ You know you're from Ephrata, WA when..... ⋮
20 hrs · 🌐

Looking for hauling jobs dump runs

Call Ray Hahne
509-771-0812



You Call, We Haul!

www.jessiebeck.com

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2 Shares

Attachment B

Ray Hahne

Timeline 2019 September

Add Friend Follow

Intro

Studied at BECC
Lives in Moses Lake, Washington
Joined February 2010
Followed by 71 people

Photos

Life Events

Justin hahne was born
September 19, 1996

6 1 Share

Like Share

Ray Hahne
August 30 at 1:34 PM · 🌐

Still doing dump runs

**Call Ray Hahne
509-771-0812**

You Call, We Haul!

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Like Share

Ray Hahne shared a post.
August 28 at 10:36 AM · 🌐

Attachment C

9/12/2019

Driver Licenses Search

-  MY ACCOUNT
-  PEOPLE
-  PHONES
-  ASSETS
-  ANALYTICS
-  COURTS
-  BUSINESSES
-  LICENSES
-  HEALTH CARE

Driver Licenses Search

Note: Not all of the information contained in these search results...

Include similar-sounding names
 Include Non Governmental Sources

[Coverage](#) | [Help?](#)

[Search](#) [Clear Form](#)

[Reference](#)

Important:
 The Public Records and commercially available data sources used in this system have errors. Data is sometimes entered poorly, processed incorrectly and is generally not free from defect.
[Read More](#)

Results 1 to 1 of 1

License Number: HAHNERA304C3;

ALL LICENSE INFORMATION

1. Name: [RAY A HAHNE JR](#)
 Address: [232 14TH AVE SW/EPHRATA WA 98822-2186](#)
 County: GRANT
 SSN: [20020-7936](#)
 LexID: [1008555089](#)
 DOB: Feb 23, 1970
 Data Source: Non-Governmental
 Data Source State: WASHINGTON

License Number: [HAHNERA304C3](#)

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<https://secure.accuinf.com/app/bps/misc>

Attachment D**STATE OF WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION***621 Woodland Square Loop S.E. • Lacey, Washington 98503**P.O. Box 47250 • Olympia, Washington 98504-7250**(360) 664-1160 • TTY (360) 586-8203*

September 16, 2019

Ray Hahne
232 14th Ave SW
Ephrata, WA 98823

Dear Mr. Hahne:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) believes you are engaged in services that require a certificate from the commission. The purpose of this letter is to provide technical assistance to you with respect to Washington's solid waste hauling requirements. Commission staff recently discovered that you are advertising on social media via Facebook Marketplace for solid waste hauling.

Operating or advertising as a solid waste hauler without the required certificate is illegal, and subject to a penalty of \$1,000 per violation.¹ Under the law, advertising of solid waste collection services is evidence of operating as a solid waste hauler. Solid waste collection includes residential and commercial garbage, residential recycling, yard waste, and drop box service.

Without obtaining authority from the commission to haul solid waste in Washington state, you may not advertise or provide these services. Until and unless the commission grants a solid waste certificate, you must immediately cease advertising and providing all forms of solid waste collection services.

If you wish to offer solid waste collection services, you must first apply for authority as a solid waste collection company. An application is included with this letter. All applications are subject to a public protest period and applicants must demonstrate that the existing solid waste company is not providing the service you propose to offer. The commission will only grant new solid waste authority if the existing certificated company is determined to be unfit, unwilling, or unable to provide the service.

¹ RCW 81.04.380

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Ray Hahne
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To avoid enforcement action by the Commission, by August 5, 2019, please either submit a complete application for a solid waste certificate, or explain in writing why you believe your business does not require authority from the Commission. Please explain the nature of your company's operations in detail.

Please direct your written response to Kathryn.McPherson@utc.wa.gov or mail to P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504. You may also reach Ms. McPherson at 360-664-1108.

Sincerely,

Mathew Perkinson
Assistant Director, Transportation Safety

Enclosures (4)

ATTACHMENT E

Ray Hahne

Ray Hahne | Timeline | 2019 | September

Add Friend Follow

Intro

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Photos

Friends

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ATTACHMENT F

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Search

Kelley Home Find Friends Create

Kelley · Iso hauling jobs dump runs

10:07 AM


You named the group Kelley · Iso hauling jobs dump runs.

You changed the group photo.

Hi I need a dump run. I just bought a place and there was a ton of garbage in an old storage. I already bagged it up and its ready to take to the dump. The garbage company will take it but I have to pay WAY xtra. its like 8 black bages of trash. Do you haul trash? and how much will it cost?

Ray
Ok send me a pic

im on wild goose lane



its not a lot.

Ray
Location and 30 ok

Kelley · Iso hauling jobs dump runs

Marketplace Details

Iso hauling jobs dump runs
\$12 · Moses Lake, WA

Options

- Search in Conversation
- Edit Nicknames
- Change Color
- Change Emoji
- Notifications

People

- Add People
- Kelley Jurgensen
- Ray Hahne

Shared Photos

