BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Determining the Proper Carrier Classification of, and Complaint for Penalties against: DOCKET TV-190217

DECLARATION OF BRIAN BRAUN

MOVE FOR LESS LLC

Brian Braun, 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 a compliance investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a compliance investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate household goods carriers that may be operating without the required Commission permit.
- 2. On March 27, 2019, I found advertisements on the website www.thumbtack.com for a household goods moving company operating as Move For Less.¹
- 3. On March 27, 2019, I searched Commission records and found Move For Less LLC. The record states the company is inactive, and provided a contact name of Yuriy Deyneka and an email of moveforless15@gmail.com.²
- 4. On March 27, 2019, I found that the Commission had cancelled Move For Less's temporary household goods carrier permit (THG067660) on April 20, 2018, in Order 01 of Docket TV-180338 for insufficient proof of insurance.³
- 5. The cancellation letter sent to the company stated, "You must immediately CEASE all operations associated with this permit. If you advertise or operate as a household goods mover without a valid permit, the commission may take enforcement action against you."⁴

¹ See Attachment A for a screen capture of the website, printed on March 27, 2019.

² See Attachment B for a screen capture of Commission records, printed on April 5, 2019.

³ See Attachment C for a copy of cancellation letter, dated April 20, 2018.

⁴ Id.

- 6. On March 27, 2019, I searched Facebook for Move For Less. The results produced a business page for Move For Less with a telephone number of (206) 822-2612, and a website of www.moveforlesswa.com.⁵
- On March 27, 2019, I went to the website www.moveforlesswa.com. On the website I found the telephone number of (206) 822-2612 and an email address of moveforless15@gmail.com.⁶
- 8. On March 27, 2019, I called (206) 822-2612, using an assumed name to obtain a quote for moving services including workers and a truck. A representative of the company, who identified himself as John, gave me an estimate of \$97 per hour for two workers and a truck or \$138 per hour for three workers and a truck, and a three hour minimum. This quote was confirmed with an email on March 27, 2019.⁷
- 9. On April 5, 2019, I searched the Washington Secretary of State's website for Move For Less. The business status is administratively dissolved.⁸
- 10. On April 5, 2019, I searched the Washington State Department of Revenue's website for Move For Less. The business status is active.⁹

DATED this 15th day of April, 2019, at Olympia, Washington.

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⁵ See Attachment D, for a screen capture of the facebook.com page, printed on April 5, 2019.

⁶ See Attachment E, for a screen capture of the website, printed on April 5, 2019.

⁷ See Attachment F, for a copy of the email, printed on April 5, 2019.

⁸ See Attachment G, for a copy of the Sec. of State's business record, printed on April 5, 2019.

⁹ See Attachment H, for a copy of the Dept. of Revenue's business lookup, printed on April 5, 2019.