BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Investigation of

Marsik Movers, LLC,

For Compliance with WAC 480-15-560 and WAC 480-15-570

DOCKET TV-230061

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CANCEL

NOTICE OF BRIEF ADJUDICATIVE PROCEEDING; SETTING TIME FOR ORAL STATEMENTS (Set for March 15, 2023, at 2 p.m.)

- *I* Pursuant to RCW 81.80.130, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) regulates the safe operation of motor freight carriers, including household goods carriers.
- 2 Marsik Movers, LLC, (Marsik Movers or Company) engages in business as a household goods carrier under Commission-issued permit number THG-068754.
- In March 2022, the Commission's staff (Staff) reviewed Marsik Movers' compliance with the laws governing household goods carriers and documented 46 critical and critical-type violations of state and federal law, among other violations. The Commission issued notice of its intent to cancel Marsik Movers' provisional household goods carrier permit based on the Company's failure to obtain a satisfactory safety rating; ultimately the Commission allowed Marsik Movers to retain its operating authority after the Company submitted an approved safety management plan.¹
- 4 In January 2023, Staff completed an investigation of Marsik Movers' compliance with the safety requirements in WAC 480-15. As a result of the compliance investigation, Staff documented two recordable accidents and eight violations, including one acute violation, resulting in a conditional safety rating. Staff notified the Company of the proposed rating on January 25, 2023
- 5 The Commission will grant permanent operating authority to household goods carriers that successfully complete its provisional period. Doing so requires the carrier to, among other requirements, receive a satisfactory safety rating in a review conducted by Staff. If a carrier fails to receive a satisfactory safety rating within 18 months of obtaining its provisional permit, the Commission will cancel the carrier's provisional permit and dismiss the company's application for permanent authority unless the Commission finds good cause to extend the provisional period.

¹ See Order 01 in consolidated Dockets TV-220168 and TV-220169.

- 6 Under the circumstances presented in this case, the Commission determines that it will afford Marsik Movers the same opportunity as companies that have received a proposed unsatisfactory rating to provide evidence, in the form of an approved safety management plan, showing that it has taken corrective actions to address the identified violations.
- 7 A carrier may request a change in its safety rating based on evidence that it has taken corrective actions to address the identified violations and that company operations currently meet the safety fitness standard specified in 49 C.F.R. § 385.5 and § 385.7.
- 8 Marsik Movers must come into compliance with applicable laws by obtaining Commission approval of a safety management plan no later than March 24, 2023. If the Company fails to come into compliance by that date, the Commission will cancel its household goods carrier permit effective March 27, 2023. Thereafter, as an unregistered company, Marsik Movers would be prohibited from providing household goods carrier services in the state of Washington.
- 9 THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it intends to cancel the permit and authority of Marsik Movers to provide services as a household goods carrier effective March 27, 2023, for cause, following a hearing on the factual allegations set out above, unless Marsik Movers obtains Commission approval of a safety management plan prior to that date.
- 10 Pursuant to RCW 34.05.482 and WAC 480-07-610, the Commission schedules a hearing on its own initiative and determines that a brief adjudicative proceeding is appropriate to determine whether the Commission should cancel Marsik Movers' household goods carrier permit.
- 11 THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That it will hold a virtual brief adjudicative proceeding in this matter at 2 p.m., March 15, 2023. To attend the hearing by telephone, please call 253 215-8782 and enter the Meeting ID: 820 9447 9918# and Passcode: 128373#. To attend via Zoom, please use the following link: <u>Click here to</u> join meeting.
- 12 The record in this case will consist of any documents regarding the matter that are considered by or prepared for the presiding officer for the brief adjudicative proceeding and a transcript of any oral statements given at the hearing, which statements will be given under oath.
- 13 Written notice of any other stage in the proceeding or other formal proceedings that the Commission may deem appropriate will be given during the course of this case. The Commission will provide on its website, copies of documents in the current record for use

by the parties or others who may want to review them.

14 Marsik Movers must submit its proposed safety management plan no later than 5 p.m. on March 1, 2023. Parties wishing to submit any other documents for consideration at the brief adjudicative proceeding must file with the Commission a list enumerating and describing any such documents no later than 5 p.m. on March 8, 2023, and provide any such documents to Staff counsel and the presiding offer by email by 5 p.m. on March 14, 2023.

15 THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that any party who fails to attend or participate in the brief adjudicative proceeding set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.

16 The names and mailing addresses of all parties and their known representatives are shown as follows:

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17 Administrative Law Judge Rayne Pearson, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.²

DATED at Lacey, Washington and effective February 9, 2023.

 $^{^2}$ Judge Pearson can be reached by email at rayne.pearson@utc.wa.gov or by phone at (360) 664-1136.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Attention: Mark L. Johnson P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

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