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### **PSC Levies Fine of \$305,000 Against Illegal Moving Company**

ATLANTA, December 2, 2008, – The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) today unanimously approved a recommended fine of \$305,000 against Atlantic Relocation, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia for operating as a household goods moving company without proper authority from the Commission. The Commission found that the Company, operated by Mr. Yair Knafo, had conducted 61 illegal intrastate moves without proper authority and levied a civil fine of \$5,000 per illegal move.

“Our action today sends a message to all household goods movers operating illegally in Georgia,” said Commission Chairman Chuck Eaton, “that this Commission will not allow rogue movers to continue taking advantage of consumers.”

The Commission staff discovered the illegal moves during an audit of the Company on September 4, 2008. Staff presented this evidence during a hearing before a Commission hearing officer on September 26, 2008. The hearing officer recommended the civil penalty of \$305,000 which the Commission adopted today.

You can find more information on this issue under docket number 28097 on the Commission web site, [www.psc.state.ga.us](http://www.psc.state.ga.us).

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