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Public Service Commission Fines Illegal Movers; Approves 3-1-1 Service for City of Albany and Dougherty County

Atlanta, August 18, 2009 – The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) today unanimously levied a total of \$10,000 in fines against two household goods movers found to be operating illegally in Georgia. The Commission also revoked the interim operating authority of another mover and denied the application of a fourth for intrastate authority to operate in Georgia.

The Commission action included:

1. Fined Gary B. Luster, doing business as Motivated Movers, \$5,000 for holding themselves out to be a legally licensed mover and/or for making illegal moves without proper authority from the Commission. (Docket Number 29575)
2. Fined Derrick Hairston, doing business as The Moving Company, \$5,000 for holding themselves out to be a legally licensed mover and/or for making illegal moves without proper authority from the Commission. (Docket Number 29576)
3. Revoked the interim operating authority of Yoon Sik Yang, doing business as Pro Express, Inc. for the carrier's failure to provide the Commission with requested documentation and for failure to maintain required insurance. (Docket Number 29580)
4. Denied application of A Van Lines, LLC and issued a cease and desist order to stop all intrastate moves within Georgia. (Docket Number 29014)

“The Georgia Public Service Commission continues to take action against ‘rogue movers’ who violate Georgia laws and Commission rules. We will protect consumers from unscrupulous movers who are uninsured and unlicensed,” said Commission Chairman Doug Everett.

In the past year, the Commission has levied more than \$181,000 in fines against illegal movers.

In other action, the Commission approved the assignment of the telephone dialing code prefix 3-1-1 to Albany and Dougherty County to provide non-emergency government services in Docket Number 29611. This is the seventh Commission approved 3-1-1 number assignment to local governments to allow them to provide non-emergency government services to their communities. The other local governments already assigned 3-1-1 are Cobb County, Dawson County, Consolidated Columbus Government, DeKalb County, City of Savannah and Columbia County.

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