## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 Release No. 10360 / May 12, 2017

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-17986

In the Matter of

the Registration Statement of

Universal Movers Corp. 125 Beech Hall Road London, Greater London E4 9NN, UK

**Respondent.** 

# ORDER FIXING TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INSTITUTING PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(d) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

I.

The Commission's public official files disclose that:

On October 25, 2013, Universal Movers Corp. ("Respondent") filed a Form S-1 registration statement seeking to register the offer and sale of 3,000,000 common shares in a \$60,000 public offering. Respondent filed amendments to its registration statements dated November 26, 2013, and December 16, 2013 (together, the "Registration Statement"). The Registration Statement was deemed effective on December 27, 2013.

## II.

After an investigation and examination, the Division of Enforcement alleges that:

## A. <u>RESPONDENT</u>

1. Respondent is a Nevada corporation headquartered in London, England.

2. Respondent purportedly plans to provide moving and storage services at set rates based on mileage. The company has no revenue, no business operations and has not publicly sold any shares.

#### B. FAILURE TO COOPERATE WITH SECTION 8(e) EXAMINATION

3. On April 24, 2014, Commission staff issued a document subpoena to Respondent. The subpoena was properly served on company counsel, who resides in the United States, on that date.

4. On May 9, 2014, company counsel informed the staff that he had been authorized to represent Respondent in the staff's ongoing examination, but that the company had sent its response to the document subpoena directly to the staff.

5. The company's document production was received on May 7, 2014.

6. On May 13, 2014, staff contacted company counsel and informed him that the staff intended to take testimony from Respondent's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO").

7. On May 16, 2014, the staff properly served a testimony subpoena to Respondent's CEO via company counsel, who resides in the United States.

8. During the subsequent months, the staff, through company counsel, attempted to schedule the taking of testimony from Respondent's CEO.

9. On August 8, 2014, company counsel emailed the staff and stated that Respondent's CEO did not intend to provide testimony to the staff.

10. On May 19, 2016, company counsel informed the staff that he was no longer representing the Respondent.

11. On May 24, 2016, the staff attempted to email Respondent directly at the email address provided in its S-1 filing. The staff's email was returned as undeliverable.

12. On June 8, 2016, the staff called the telephone number provided by Respondent in its Registration Statement and was told by the individual who answered the phone that it was the wrong number.

13. On July 11, 2016, the staff sent a notice informing the company of the staff's preliminary determination to recommend an enforcement action against Respondent to the company's designated agent for service in the United States and directly to the company address in the United Kingdom.

14. On July 20, 2016, the staff received an email from an individual in the United Kingdom stating that Respondent's CEO did not live at the address to which the notice was sent.

15. On October 13, 2016, the UPS package sent to the Respondent's agent for service of process in the United States was returned. On the returned package, there was a note stating that the "receiver did not want, refused delivery."

16. As a result of the conduct described in paragraphs nine through twelve above, Respondent failed to cooperate with the staff's examination

#### III.

The Commission, having considered the aforesaid, deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public proceedings pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Securities Act be instituted with respect to the Registration Statement to determine whether the allegations of the Division of Enforcement are true; to afford the Respondent with an opportunity to establish any defenses to these allegations; and to determine whether a stop order should issue suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement referred to herein.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that public proceedings be and hereby are instituted under Section 8(d) of the Securities Act, such hearing to be commenced at 9:30 a.m. on June 1, 2017, at the Commission's offices at 100 F Street N.E., Washington, DC 20549, and to continue thereafter at such time and place as the hearing officer may determine.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that these proceedings shall be presided over by an Administrative Law Judge to be designated by further order, who is authorized to perform all the duties of an Administrative Law Judge as set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice or as otherwise provided by law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Respondent shall file an Answer to the allegations contained in this Order within ten (10) days after service of this Order, pursuant to Rule 220 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 17 C.F.R. § 201.220. If the Respondent fails to file the directed answer, or fails to appear at a hearing after being duly notified, the Respondent may be deemed in default and the proceedings may be determined against the Respondent upon consideration of this Order, the allegations of which may be deemed to be true as provided by Rules 155(a), 220(f), 221(f) and 310 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 17 C.F.R. §§201.155(a), 201.220(f), 201.221(f) and 201.310. This Order shall be served forthwith upon the Respondent in accordance with Rule 141 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 17 C.F.R. §201.141.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge shall issue an initial decision no later than 120 days from the occurrence of one of the following events: (A) The completion of post-hearing briefing in a proceeding where the hearing has been completed; (B) Where the hearing officer has determined that no hearing is necessary, upon completion of briefing on a motion pursuant to Rule 250 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 17 C.F.R. § 201.250; or (C) The determination by the hearing officer that a party is deemed to be in default under Rule 155 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 17 C.F.R. § 201.155 and no hearing is necessary.

In the absence of an appropriate waiver, no officer or employee of the Commission engaged in the performance of investigative or prosecuting functions in this or any factually related proceeding will be permitted to participate or advise in the decision of this matter, except as witness or counsel in proceedings held pursuant to notice. Since this proceeding is not "rule making" within the meaning of Section 551 of the Administrative Procedure Act, it is not deemed subject to the provisions of Section 553 delaying the effective date of any final Commission action.

By the Commission.

Brent J. Fields Secretary