# THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF ABDINOOR HASSAN, NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION AND INTENT TO ASSESS FORFEITURE.

CASE NO. 17-1556-TR-CVF OH3249007348D

#### **ENTRY**

Entered in the Journal on December 6, 2017

## I. SUMMARY

**[¶ 1]** The Commission closes this case as the Respondent has paid the assessed civil forfeiture in full.

### II. DISCUSSION

- {¶ 2} R.C. 4923.04(A)(1) mandates that the Commission adopt rules applicable to the transportation of persons or property by motor carriers operating in interstate and intrastate commerce. Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-5-03(A), the Commission adopted the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, published in the Code of Federal Regulations, for the purpose of governing transportation by motor vehicle in the state of Ohio. Further, R.C. 4923.99 authorizes the Commission to assess a civil forfeiture of up to \$25,000 per day, per violation, against any person who violates the safety rules adopted by the Commission.
- {¶ 3} Staff served a notice of preliminary determination upon Abdinoor Hassan (Respondent) in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-12, alleging a violation of the Commission's transportation regulations.
- {¶ 4} On July 6, 2017, Mr. Hassan filed a request for an administrative hearing in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-13.
- {¶ 5} Mr. Hassan and Staff participated in a prehearing conference on August 24, 2017.
- {¶ 6} On October 30, 2017, Staff filed a motion to dismiss the case, indicating that Respondent paid the full amount of the forfeiture recommended in the NPD.

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{¶ 7} Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-22(B), full payment of the forfeiture demanded in the NPD constitutes an admission of the occurrence of the violation and shall terminate all further proceedings.

{¶ 8} Accordingly, the Commission finds that this case should be dismissed, and the related docket closed, as Respondent has paid the assessed civil forfeiture in full.

# III. ORDER

 $\{\P 9\}$  It is, therefore,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That this case be closed. It is, further,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon Respondent and all other interested parties of record.

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