

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of Leroy Brown, Notice	:	Case No. 18-88-TR-CVF
of Apparent Violation and Intent to	:	(OH1251005261D)
Assess Forfeiture.	:	

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 1) Pursuant to Rule 4901:2-7-11, Ohio Adm. Code, Leroy Brown (Driver or Respondent) and the Staff of the Transportation Department of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) (Collectively, the Parties) enter into this Settlement Agreement to resolve all issues in the above captioned case.
- 2) On October 24, 2017, a vehicle operated by NAT Services Inc., and driven by Leroy Brown was inspected within the state of Ohio. As the result of the inspection, Respondent was served a notice of preliminary determination (NPD) that assessed a civil forfeiture of \$500.00 to Respondent for the following rule violation of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission), as follows:
 - 49 C.F.R. 383.51a (Driving a CMV while CDL is suspended for a safety-related or unknown reason and in state of driver's license issuance).
- 3) In response to the NPD, the Respondent made a timely formal request for an administrative hearing pursuant to Rule 4901:2-7-13, Ohio Adm. Code. A prehearing conference was conducted on February 22, 2018.

- 4) For purposes of settlement only, Staff agrees to reduce the total civil forfeiture to \$100.00 for the reason that Respondent has submitted proof of insurance to the Massillon Municipal Court, BMV, and Staff, which resulted in his CDL being reinstated. Accordingly, the Parties agree that Respondent shall make a civil forfeiture payment of \$100.00 no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Settlement Agreement. The date of the entry of the Commission order adopting the Settlement Agreement shall be considered the effective date of the Settlement Agreement.
- 5) It is understood by the Respondent and the Staff that this Settlement Agreement can be considered to determine future forfeitures if Respondent has any future cases before the Commission. It is also understood by the Respondent and the Staff that this Settlement Agreement is not binding upon the Commission. This agreement, however, is based on the Respondent's and the Staff's desire to arrive at a reasonable result considering the law, facts and circumstances. Accordingly, the Respondent and the Staff recommend that the Commission adopt this Settlement Agreement.
- 6) This Settlement Agreement is submitted on the condition that the Commission adopts the agreed upon terms. In the event the Commission rejects any part of the Settlement Agreement, or adds to, or otherwise materially modifies its terms, each party shall have the right, within thirty days of the Commission's order, to file an application for rehearing that includes a request to terminate and withdraw from

the Settlement Agreement. Upon the application for rehearing and request to terminate/withdraw from the Settlement Agreement being granted by the Commission, the Settlement Agreement shall immediately become null and void. In such event, the parties shall proceed to a hearing as if this Settlement Agreement had never been executed.

- 7) This Settlement Agreement is made in settlement of all factual and/or legal issues in this case.
- 8) This agreement, which is subject to the Rules of the Commission, constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties. The Signatory Parties agree that this Settlement Agreement is in the best interest of all the Parties, and recommend the Commission to adopt the same. The undersigned respectfully request that the Commission issue an entry in accordance with the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement.
- 9) The Parties have manifested their consent to the Settlement Agreement by affixing their signatures below on this 30th day of March, 2018.

On behalf of the Respondent


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