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Jeffrey C. Johnson

4108 N. Center Rd.

Flint, MI 48506-1436

19-1729-TR-CVF

August 27, 2019

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

ATTN: Docketing Division

180 E. Broad Street, 11th Floor

Columbus, OH 43215-3793

To Whom It May Concern:

This is my "Request for an Administrative Hearing" regarding case number OH3202306792D.

Please direct further communications to myself,

Jeffrey C. Johnson

4108 N. Center Rd.

Flint, MI 48506-1436

810-449-3990

jecujo@gmail.com

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Sincerely,

Jeffrey C. Johnson, Truck Driver

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**Enclosures: 5** 



M. Beth Trombold Lawrence K. Friedeman Dennis P. Deters Daniel R. Conway

August 17, 2019

Jeffrey Johnson 4108 N Center Rd Flint, Michigan 48506

**RE: NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION** 

Case No. OH3202306792D

Dear Sir or Madam:

On 04/25/2019, a vehicle operated by SWIFT TRANSPORTATION CO OF ARIZONA LLC, and driven by, JOHNSON, JEFFREY C was inspected within the state of Ohio. As a result of discovery of the following violation(s) of the Commission's rules, Staff of the Commission timely notified JEFFREY C JOHNSON pursuant to rule 4901:2-7-07, Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), that it intended to assess a civil forfeiture against JEFFREY C JOHNSON in the following amount:

CODE	GROUP	VIOLATION	<u>FORFEITURE</u>
392.10 A3	Group 4	Failure to stop at railroad crossing - CMV requiring display of HM placards	\$ 500.00
		Original Amount Due:	\$500.00

A conference was conducted pursuant to Rule 4901:2-10, OAC, at which JEFFREY C JOHNSON had a full opportunity to present reasons why the violation(s) did not occur as alleged, mitigating circumstances regarding the amount of any forfeiture, and any other information relevant to the action proposed to be taken by the Staff.

As a result of the conference, staff has made a preliminary determination that the commission should assess a civil forfeiture against JEFFREY CJOHNSON in the following amount:

CODE	<u>GROUP</u>	VIOLATION	<u>FORFEITURE</u>
392.10 A3	Group 4	Failure to stop at railroad crossing - CMV requiring display of HM placards	\$ 500.00
		New Amount Due:	\$500.00

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Within 30 days of this notice you must <u>either</u>; 1) pay the assessed civil forfeiture <u>or</u>, 2) submit a written Request for an Administrative Hearing.

Failure to comply with either option above shall constitute a waiver of your right to further contest the violation(s) and will conclusively establish the occurrence of the violation(s). Such failure shall also constitute a waiver of your right to further contest liability to the State of Ohio for the civil forfeiture described in the notice and will result in the forfeiture amount being referred to the Ohio Attorney General's Office for collection. In addition, your Ohio operating authority and/or commercial driving privileges may be sanctioned as permitted by law.

Please consult the enclosed instruction sheet for additional information regarding this "Notice of Preliminary Determination."

Sincerely,

John D. Williams, Director Transportation Department

cc: Mark Banks



# INSTRUCTION SHEET

# NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION

Please read these instruction sheets carefully. They contain information about your rights and responsibilities in regard to this "Notice of Preliminary Determination."

You have received a "Notice of Preliminary Determination" as described in 4901:2-7-12, Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Within 30 days of this notice you must either; 1) pay the assessed civil forfeiture or, 2) submit a written Request for an Administrative Hearing. If you do not pay the forfeiture or request a hearing within 30 days of this notice, your case will be placed in our default process. Additionally, your Ohio operating authority and/or your commercial driving privileges may be sanctioned as permitted by law.

#### How to pay the forfeiture

Online

https://www.puco.ohio.gov/sc/mcos/ Enter the case number and PIN located on the enclosed invoice. Mail

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attn: Fiscal Section

180 E. Broad Street, 4th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Send check/money order (no foreign checks/money orders) made payable to "Public Utilities Commission of Ohio". To ensure proper credit, write the case number on the face of the check or money order.

\* Payments cannot be completed by telephone

## How to make a Request for an Administrative Hearing

If you wish to further contest the violations described in this notice, you should file a "Request for an Administrative Hearing" with the Commission's Docketing Division as described in Rule 4901:2-7-13, OAC.

Your "Request for an Administrative Hearing" must be in writing and must contain the case number found at the top of the "Notice of Preliminary Determination." Also, please include the contact name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom further communications should be directed. The request shall be signed by the Respondent or the Respondent's authorized representative. A copy of the "Notice of Preliminary Determination" must be attached to your request.

Your "Request for an Administrative Hearing" must be mailed or hand-delivered within 30 days of this notice to the following address:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ATTN: Docketing Division 180 E. Broad Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

#### Failure to submit a Request for Administrative Hearing

If you do not serve a timely "Request for an Administrative Hearing" in the manner described above, you will forfeit your right to further contest the violations described in this notice and the occurrence of the violations will be conclusively established. Such failure shall also constitute a waiver of your right to further contest liability to the state of Ohio for the civil forfeiture described in this notice and will result in the forfeiture amount being referred to the Ohio Attorney General's Office for collection. Also, your Ohio operating authority and/or your commercial driving privileges may be sanctioned as permitted by law.

### **Codes, Violation Groups, and Forfeiture Amounts**

"Code" in this notice identifies the rule violated. Numbers in a 100 or 300 series refer to specific sections of the Hazardous Materials Regulations or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations located in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Some section numbers may have suffixes beyond those appearing in the CFR. These are used for internal data collections purposes. Codes in other formats refer to violations of Ohio's statutes or regulations.

"Violations Group" identifies the assigned numerical group (1-4) for the violation for purposes of calculating the civil forfeiture. Section 4923.99, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) authorizes the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to assess civil forfeiture up to \$25,000 for each day of each violation. The amount of any forfeiture is dependent upon the nature, gravity, circumstances, and extent of the violation, the offender's degree of culpability for the violation, and the offender's violation history. "Total Amount Due" is the total amount of the civil forfeiture assessed for all violations described in this notice.



# ATTENTION DRIVER

## **Potential Disqualification**

If the roadside inspection leading to this letter identified an alleged violation of one or more of the below noted regulations, your CDL may be disqualified. If you are convicted of violating any of these regulations, notice of the conviction will be forwarded to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). The BMV may disqualify you from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a minimum of 60 days.

Any BMV sanction is in addition to sanctions imposed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). 177.804(b)(1) Failure to comply with 49 CFR Section 392.12 Complying With Safe Clearance Requirements For 177.804B1 Highway-Rail Grade Crossings. 177.804B2 177.804(b)(2) Failure to comply with 49 CFR Section 392.80 Texting While Operating a CMV When Transporting Select Agents or Toxins or HM Requiring Placarding. 177.80483 177.804(b)(3) Failure to comply with 49 CFR Section 392.82 Using a Cell Phone While Operating a CMV When Transporting Select Agents or Toxins or HM Requiring Placarding. 177.804C 177.804(c) Failure to comply with 49 CFR Section 392.82 Using a Handheld Mobile Phone While Operating a CMV When Transporting Select Agents or Toxins or HM Requiring Placard. 2-5-07D Operating a CMV after Driver or Vehicle declared out of service. 392.2 383.23A2 383.23(a)(2) Operating a CMV without a CDL. Driving a CMV while disqualified from holding a CDL 383.51A 383.51(a) 383.51A-NSIN Driving a CMV while CDL is suspended for a non-safety-related reason and in the state of driver's 383.51(a) license issuance. 383.51A-NSOUT 383.51(a) Driving a CMV while CDL is suspended for a non-safety-related reason and outside the state of driver's license issuance. 383.51A-SIN 383.51(a) Driving a CMV while CDL is suspended for a safety-related or unknown reason and in state of driver's license issuance. 383.51A-SOUT 383.51(a) Driving a CMV while CDL is suspended for safety-related or unknown reason and outside the state of driver's license issuance. 383.91A 383.91(a) Operating a CMV with improper CDL group. No double or triple trailer endorsement on CDL when required. 383.93B1 383.93(b)(1) 383.93B2 383.93(b)(2) No passenger vehicle endorsement on CDL when required. 383.93B3 383.93(b)(3) No tank vehicle endorsement on CDL when required. 383.93B4 383.93(b)(4) No hazardous materials endorsement on CDL when required. Operating a School Bus without a school bus endorsement as described in 383.93(b)(5). 383.9385 383.93(b)(5) 391.15A 391.15(a) Driving a CMV while disqualified. 391.15A-NSIN 391.15(a) Driving a CMV while disqualified. Suspended for non-safety-related reason and in the state of driver's license issuance. 391.15A-NSOUT 391.15(a) Driving a CMV while disqualified. Suspended for a non-safety-related reason and outside the state of driver's license issuance. 391.15A-SIN Driving a CMV while disqualified. Suspended for safety-related or unknown reason and in the state of 391.15(a) drivers license issuance. 391.15A-SOUT 391.15(a) Driving a CMV while disqualified. Suspended for a safety-related or unknown reason and outside the driver's license state of issuance. 392.10A1 392.10(a)(1) Failure to stop at railroad crossing - Bus transporting passengers. 392.10A2 392.10(a)(2) Failure to stop at railroad crossing - CMV transporting Division 2.3 Chlorine. 392.10A3 392.10(a)(3) Failure to stop at railroad crossing - CMV requiring display of HM placards. 392.10A4 392.10(a)(4) Failure to stop at railroad crossing - HM Cargo Tank vehicle. Commercial Vehicle failing to slow down approaching a railroad crossing. 392.11 392.11 392.12 392.12 No Driver of a Commercial Motor Vehicle Shall Drive Onto a Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Without Having Sufficient Space to Drive Completely Through the Crossing Without Stopping. 392.4A 392.4(a) Driver on duty and under the influence of, or using a narcotic drug / amphetamine, which renders the driver incapable of safe operation. 392.5A2-UI 392.5(a)(2) Operating a CMV while under the influence of an intoxicating beverage regardless of its alcohol content. 392.5C2 Violating OOS order pursuant to 392.5(a)/(b) - Alcohol prohibitions. 392.5(c)(2) 392.80(a) 392.80A Driving a commercial motor vehicle while Texting. 392.82A1 392.82(a)(1) Using a hand-held mobile telephone while operating a CMV. Driving after being declared out-of-service for HOS violation(s). 395.13D 395.13(d)

Federal regulations define "conviction" as, "An un-vacated adjudication of guilt, or a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the law in a court of original jurisdiction or by an authorized administrative tribunal, an un-vacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to secure the person's appearance in court, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere accepted by the court, the payment of a fine or court cost, or violation of a condition of release without bail, regardless of whether or not the penalty is rebated, suspended, or probated.

Operating an out-of-service vehicle.

396.9(c)(2)

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JEFFREY CJOHNSON 4108 N CENTER RD FLINT, MI 48506

Invoice #: 19-00017552

Date:

08/16/2019 Due Date: 09/15/2019

PIN #:

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Item#	Туре	Description	Amount Due
INVD-0035666	Civil Forfeiture HazMat	Failure to stop at railroad crossing - CMV requiring display of HM placards	\$ 500.00
		Payments Received	\$ 0.00
		Total Amount Due	\$ 500.00

Please visit <a href="https://www.puco.ohio.gov/sc/mcos/">https://www.puco.ohio.gov/sc/mcos/</a> to make your online payments.

Questions concerning this invoice should be addressed to our call center at 1-800-686-7826.

(Remittance for mailed check payment)

Please make checks payable to:

**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio** 

180 East Broad Street 4th Floor Finance Columbus, OH 43215

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