THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF JEFFREY JOHNSON, NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION AND INTENT TO ASSESS FORFEITURE.

CASE NO. 19-1729-TR-CVF (OH3202306792D)

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on October 25, 2019

- {¶ 1} Staff served a notice of preliminary determination upon Jeffrey Johnson (Respondent) in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-12, alleging a violation of the Commission's transportation regulations.
- {¶ 2} On August 29, 2019, Respondent requested an administrative hearing in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-13.
- {¶ 3} On September 13, 2019, the attorney examiner scheduled a prehearing conference for October 8, 2019. During the prehearing conference, Respondent and Staff were unable to reach a settlement.
- {¶ 4} On October 9, 2019, the attorney examiner issued an Entry scheduling a hearing for December 4, 2019, at the Commission offices.
- {¶ 5} On October 22, 2019, the parties contacted the attorney examiner and advised that the Respondent would not be able to attend the December 4, 2019 hearing due to a scheduling conflict. Accordingly, both parties requested that the hearing be rescheduled for December 12, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. Therefore, the attorney examiner reschedules the hearing for December 12, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. at the Commission offices, Hearing Room 11-D, 11th floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. The parties should register at the lobby desk and then proceed to the 11th floor in order to participate in the hearing.
- {¶ 6} Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-14(E) provides that a respondent who has requested an administrative hearing and fails to participate in the hearing proceeding shall be in default. The rule further states that a respondent in default shall be deemed to have

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admitted the occurrence of the violation and waived all further right to contest liability to the state for the forfeiture described in the notice.

 $\{\P\ 7\}$ At the hearing, Staff must prove, by a preponderance of the evidence, that

Respondent committed the alleged violation, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-20(A).

{¶ 8} Following the Staff's presentation of evidence at the hearing, it shall be the

responsibility of Respondent to present evidence supporting his contentions regarding the

alleged violation in this matter.

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

¶ 10} ORDERED, That the December 4, 2019 hearing be rescheduled for December

12, 2019, in accordance with Paragraph 5. It is, further,

¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon each party of record.

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/s/ Matthew Sandor

By: Matthew Sandor Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry re-schedule hearing for December 12, 2019 at the Commission Offices. electronically filed by Mrs. Kelli C King on behalf of Matthew Sandor, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio