

**THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

**IN THE MATTER OF NORTHAMPTON  
TRANSPORTATION LLC, NOTICE OF  
APPARENT VIOLATION AND INTENT TO  
ASSESS FORFEITURE.**

**CASE NO. 19-150-TR-CVF  
(OH9458300078C)**

**ENTRY**

Entered in the Journal on October 29, 2019

{¶ 1} On July 25, 2019, an Entry was issued scheduling a September 17, 2019 hearing for the above-captioned case.

{¶ 2} On September 17, 2019, Ismael Hassan, President of Northampton Transportation LLC (Respondent), contacted the attorney examiner to state that he had been ill and could not attend the scheduled hearing. Mr. Hassan requested a continuance of the hearing.

{¶ 3} The attorney examiner observes that, on July 24, 2019, Mr. Ismael was previously granted a continuance of the hearing, which had initially been scheduled for July 25, 2019. The attorney examiner also notes that Mr. Hassan's telephone call to request a continuance of the September 17, 2019 hearing was made at the last minute, when proceedings for the hearing were ready to begin.

{¶ 4} Taking into consideration all the preceding, the attorney examiner grants the request to continue the September 17, 2019 hearing. However, the attorney examiner is not inclined to grant additional continuances and cautions Mr. Hassan that failure to appear at the next scheduled hearing date may, pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901:2-7-14(E), result in a default judgment. Also pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901:2-7-14(E), Mr. Hassan would be deemed to have admitted that the violation occurred, while also waiving any right to contest the forfeiture.

{¶ 5} Accordingly, the hearing shall be rescheduled to December 11, 2019, at the Commission offices, Hearing Room 11-D, 11th floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

{¶ 6} 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).

{¶ 7} Following Staff's presentation of evidence at the hearing, it shall be the responsibility of Respondent to present evidence supporting its contentions regarding the alleged violation in this matter.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That the hearing be rescheduled to December 11, 2019, as indicated in Paragraph 5. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That all findings herein be observed by the parties in this case. It is, further,

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

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/s/James M. Lynn

By: James M. Lynn  
Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry rescheduling hearing to December 11, 2019 electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of James M. Lynn, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission