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Date Submitted: 4/21/18

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# DRIVER/VEHICLE EXAMINATION REPORT



Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Transportation Department  
Columbus, OH 43215  
Phone #: (614)466-0429 Fax #: (614)752-9274

Report Number: OH0616004887  
Inspection Date: 8/25/2017 Certification Date:  
Time Started: 10:25 Time Ended: 10:42  
Inspection Level: III - Driver-Only Inspection  
HM Inspection Type: No HM Inspection

## NEW BERN TRANSPORT CORPORATION

9800 CROSSPOINT BLVD STE 300  
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46256

USDOT #: 00692947

Phone #: (914)767-6000

MC/MX #: 321263

Fax #:

State #:

Driver: FAULKNER, CRAIG A  
License #: RT960146 State: OH  
Date of Birth: 2/7/1975

Location: ROADSIDE

MilePost: 17

Highway: SR 46

Origin: AUSTINTOWN, OH

Bill of Lading: NONE

County: MAHONING

Destination: YOUNGSTOWN, OH

Cargo: BEVERAGES

Shipper: CARRIER

## VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION:

Unit	Type	Make	Year	State	License#	Equipment ID	Unit VIN	GVWR	CVSA #	CVSA Issued #	OOS Stkr.#
1	TT	FRHT	2001	OH	PHT1805	F46431	1FUWHJBA31HH42776	52,000			
2	ST	UNK	2002	OH	TPY3277	2857	5CWRA35182H022758	68,000			

**BRAKE ADJUSTMENTS:** No brake measurements recorded.

## VIOLATIONS :

Vio Code	Section	Unit	OOS	State Citation Number	Verify*	Crash	Violation Description
392.16	392.16	D	N		N	N	Failing to use seat belt while operating CMV: See notes

\* N - Non-OOS or Driver OOS Violation

**HazMat:** No HM Transported.

Placard: NA Cargo Tank:

## Special Checks:

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/Controlled Substance Check | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Enforcement       | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Crash Inspection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conducted by Local Jurisdiction    | <input type="checkbox"/> PASA Conducted Inspection | <input type="checkbox"/> PBBT Inspection       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Size and Weight Enforcement        | <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Interdiction Search  | Arrests:                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ESscreening                        |  |  |

**Inspection Notes:** Vehicle was on SR46 southbound in the left lane. As it past through the intersection for IR80. I watched the driver reach up with his right hand over his left shoulder and grab the black seat belt. He then pulled it acrossed his body down to his right hip area. The driver was wearing a light green shirt that sharply contrasted the black belt as he pulled it across.

## Special Study Fields:

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| Special Study1: | Special Study6:  |
| Special Study2: | Special Study7:  |
| Special Study3: | Special Study8:  |
| Special Study4: | Special Study9:  |
| Special Study5: | Special Study10: |

## Locally Defined Fields:

For-Hire Carrier: N; Driver Address: 1271 E PIDGEON RD APT B; Driver City: SALEM; Driver State: OH; Driver Zip: 44460; Photos Taken (Y/N): N; Reason Code: OBVI; FMCSA Credentials Verified-Y/N: Y; CDL Verified (Y/N): Y; FMCSA OOS Order Issued(Y/N): N

Report Prepared By:

J.D HUGHES

Badge #:

0616

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FAULKNER, CRAIG A

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All violations of the FHMR and FMCSR or Title 49 of the Ohio Revised Code will be reviewed by the PUCO's Transportation Department to determine whether civil forfeitures should be assessed against any responsible parties in accordance with the penalty provisions of Title 49 of the Ohio Revised Code. If civil forfeitures are assessed, you will receive a separate notice by mail. These penalties may be assessed to motor carriers, shippers, and/or drivers.

ATTENTION DRIVER: This report must be sent to the motor carrier whose name appears at the top of this inspection report within 24 hours. If the inspection report cannot be delivered within 24 hours the driver must mail or fax the inspection report to the motor carrier.

ATTENTION MOTOR CARRIER: The motor carrier must examine this report and repair all the vehicle defects/violations noted above -AND- The motor carrier must sign the Certification of Repairs below and return the signed form to: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, TAD - 4th floor, 180 E Broad St, Columbus, OH 43215-3793 -OR- Fax (614) 752-9274 within 15 days of the inspection. If "No Violations Were Discovered" then you do not need to return this report. Failure to return this report with the required certification can result in penalties up to \$1,000 per day for each day the violation continues, up to a total of \$10,000. If you have any questions, please contact (614) 466-0429.

MOTOR CARRIER CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETED REPAIRS: The undersigned certifies that all violations noted on this report have been corrected and action taken to assure compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety & Hazardous Materials Regulations insofar as they are applicable to motor carriers and drivers. A false certification of repairs is required to be prosecuted with penalties up to \$10,000.

Signature of Carrier Official: X

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Failure to return this report with the required certification can result in penalties up to \$1,000 per day for each day the violation continues, up to a total of \$10,000.

Signature of Repairer: X

Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Ohio | Public Utilities Commission

Asim Z. Haque, Chairman

**Commissioners**

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Thomas W. Johnson  
Lawrence K. Friedman  
Daniel R. Conway

10/11/2017

OH0616004887D  
Craig A Faulkner  
1271 E PIDGEON RD APT B  
SALEM, OH 44460

RE: **NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY  
DETERMINATION**  
Case No. OH0616004887D

Dear Sir or Madam:

On 08/25/2017, a vehicle operated by NEW BERN TRANSPORT CORPORATION, and driven by CRAIG A FAULKNER, was inspected within the State of Ohio. As the result of discovery of the following violations of the Commission's rules, Staff of the Commission timely notified CRAIG A FAULKNER (Respondent) pursuant to rule 4901:2-7-07, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), that it intended to assess a civil forfeiture against the Respondent in the following amount:

CODE	GROUP	VIOLATION	FORFEITURE
392.16	4	Failing to use seat belt while operating CMV	100.00
		Total of Group 4	100.00

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$100.00**

A conference was conducted pursuant to rule 4901:2-7-10, O.A.C., at which the Respondent had a full opportunity to present any reasons why the violation 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 Staff.

As a result of the conference, Staff has made a Preliminary Determination that the Commission should assess a civil forfeiture against CRAIG A FAULKNER in the following amount:

CODE	GROUP	VIOLATION	FORFEITURE
392.16	4	Failing to use seat belt while operating CMV	100.00
		Total of Group 4	100.00

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# Public Utilities Commission

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## Commissioners

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Thomas W. Johnson  
Lawrence K. Friedman  
Daniel R. Conway

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$100.00

Within 30 days of this notice, you must either: (1) pay the assessed civil forfeiture or (2) file a written request for an administrative hearing pursuant to rule 4901:2-7-13, O.A.C. Failure to file a written request for an administrative hearing within 30 days shall constitute a waiver of your right to further contest the violations and will conclusively establish the occurrence of the violations. 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.

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

Sincerely,

Milan Orbovich, Director  
Transportation Department

Compliance Officer: Mark Banks



**ROADSIDE INSPECTION  
INSTRUCTION SHEET  
NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION**

***Please read this instruction sheet carefully. It contains 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 Rule 4901:2-7-12, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). Within 30 days of this notice, you must either: (1) pay the assessed civil forfeiture or (2) file a written request for an administrative hearing. If you do not pay the forfeiture or file a request for an administrative hearing within 30 days of this notice, your case will be placed in our default process. Both procedures are described below.

**1. How to Pay the Forfeiture**

If you do not wish to further contest the violations described in this notice, you may make payment of the civil forfeiture indicated in this notice via one of the following methods:

**Online** at <https://omcis.puc.state.oh.us/home.aspx>. You will need your case number and PIN located on the enclosed voucher.

**Mail**: send a check or money order (no Canadian postal money orders) made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." In order to assure proper credit, you must write the case number on the face of the check or money order. Please send payment to the following address:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Attn: CF Processing  
180 East Broad Street, 4th Floor  
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

**2. How to File 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, O.A.C. Your "Request for an Administrative Hearing" must be in writing and must contain the case number indicated on this notice. Also, please include the contact name, address, and telephone number, of the person to whom further communications regarding this matter should be directed. The request shall be signed by the respondent or its authorized representative. A copy of this "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 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

**3. Failure to Submit a Request for an 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.

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

"Code" in this notice identifies the rule that was 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 (C.F.R.). Some section numbers may have suffixes beyond those which appear in the C.F.R. These are used for internal data collection purposes. Codes in other formats refer to violations of Ohio's statutes or regulations.

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

For additional information regarding the civil forfeiture program, please contact the Compliance Division.

#### **5. Violations of 49 C.F.R. 383.51, 391.15, 392.5(c)(2), 392.10, 392.80(a), 392.82(a), 395.13(d), 396.9(c)(2), and rule 4901:2-5-07(D) of the Ohio Administrative Code**

If you are "convicted" of violating any of the following: 49 C.F.R. 383.51, 391.15, 392.5(c)(2), 392.10, 392.80(a), 392.82(a), 395.13(d), 396.9(c)(2), or rule 4901:2-5-07(D) of the Ohio Administrative Code, you may be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a minimum of 60 days. The federal regulations defines conviction as, "An unvacated 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 unvacated 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."

#### **6. Copies of Inspection Reports**

A copy of the inspection report for the violations described in this notice was given to the driver at the time of inspection. You may request additional copies of inspection reports.

Obtain copies at this web site:

<https://www.puc.state.oh.us/secure/OMCIS/public/searchcarrierreports.aspx>

Or you may email your request to:

[cmvreports@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:cmvreports@puc.state.oh.us). Please provide the inspection number and inspection date in your request.

