## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THRIFTY PROPANE, INC., NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION AND INTENT TO ASSESS FORFEITURE.

CASE NO. 18-1308-TR-CVF (OH3219302370C)

## **ENTRY**

## Entered in the Journal on April 29, 2019

- {¶ 1} Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-12, Staff served a notice of preliminary determination (NPD) upon Thrifty Propane, Inc. (Respondent) alleging violations of the Commission's transportation regulations.
- {¶ 2} On August 20, 2018, counsel for Respondent filed a request for an administrative hearing regarding the NPD as contemplated by Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-13. After a prehearing conference did not result in settlement of the matter, the attorney examiner set a hearing date of January 24, 2019.
- {¶ 3} By Entry dated January 24, 2019, the attorney examiner continued the original hearing date to April 23, 2019, upon granting an unopposed motion for continuance filed by Respondent.
- {¶ 4} On April 22, 2019, two documents were filed on behalf of Respondent: a notice of substitution of counsel and an unopposed motion to continue the hearing date. Through the first, attorneys Christopher Cotter and Lucas Palmer of the law firm Roetzel & Andress, LPA (Roetzel) notified the Commission that they should be substituted as counsel for Respondent in place of attorney David Ferris, as Mr. Ferris is no longer affiliated with Roetzel. In the latter, counsel for Respondent requested that the April 23, 2019 hearing date be continued to a date and time convenient to the Commission and Staff in order to provide substituted counsel adequate time to prepare for the hearing. As indicated in the motion's caption, the request is not opposed by Staff.
- {¶ 5} The attorney examiner finds that the motion for a continuance is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the hearing is continued to July 23, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.,

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in Hearing Room 11-D at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

- $\{\P 6\}$  It is, therefore,
- {¶ 7} ORDERED, That Respondent's motion for a continuance be granted and the hearing be continued to July 23, 2019, as stated in Paragraph 5. It is, further,
  - **[¶ 8]** ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

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/s/Patricia A. Schabo

By: Patricia A. Schabo Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting motion for continuance electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of Patricia Schabo, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission