BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of :
Mark L. Arrasmith Notice : Case No.
of Apparent Violation and : 21-203-TR-CVF
Intent to Assess Forfeiture.:

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## PROCEEDINGS

Before Jacky St. John, Attorney Examiner, held at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Hearing Room 11-D, Columbus, Ohio, on Monday, December 12, 2022, at 10:00 A.M.

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APPEARANCES: Ms. Jodi Bair Assistant Attorney General 30 East Broad Street, 26th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 On behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. \_ \_ 

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3	STAFF WITNESSES				DIRECT	CROSS	
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3	STAFF'S EXHIBITS MARKED ADMT	
4	1 Copy of Invoice Showing 7 8 Payment of \$500.00 by	
5	Mark L. Arrasmith for	
6	Civil Forfeiture HazMat	
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1	Monday Morning,	
2	December 12, 2022.	
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4	ATTORNEY EXAMINER: The Public	
5	Utilities Commission of Ohio has set for hearing	
6	at this time and place Case No. 21-203-TR-CVF	
7	which is captioned In the Matter of Mark	
8	Arrasmith Notice of Apparent Violation and	
9	Intent to Assess Forfeiture.	
10	Good morning, everyone. My name is	
11	Jacky St. John, I am the Attorney Examiner	
12	assigned by the Commission to hear this case.	
13	At this time we will take appearances of the	
14	parties. On behalf of Staff.	
15	MS. BAIR: Thank you, your Honor.	
16	On behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities	
17	Commission of Ohio, Dave Yost, Attorney General,	
18	Jodi Bair, Assistant Attorney General, 30 East	
19	Broad Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.	
20	ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Thank you. And	
21	I will note that it is 10:05 and the Respondent	
22	has not yet appeared. So at this time we will	
23	go ahead and proceed with the Staff's case.	
24	Ms. Bair, go ahead.	
25	MS. BAIR: Thank you, your Honor.	

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1	I would like to call Bradley Long to the stand,			
2	please, on behalf of the Staff.			
3	(WITNESS SWORN)			
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5	BRADLEY LONG			
6	called as a witness, being first duly sworn,			
7	testified as follows:			
8	ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Thank you.			
9	Please proceed.			
10	DIRECT EXAMINATION			
11	By Ms. Bair:			
12	Q. Could you please state your name for			
13	the record?			
14	A. It's Bradley Long.			
15	Q. By whom are you employed and what is			
16	your position?			
17	A. I am Assistant Chief of Compliance			
18	with Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,			
19	Transportation section.			
20	Q. And how long have you been in that			
21	position?			
22	A. Since November 2019.			
23	Q. Before that what was your job?			
24	A. State Trooper with the Ohio State			
25	Highway Patrol for 26 years.			

7 MS. BAIR: Thank you. Your Honor, 1 2 may I approach the witness? 3 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: Yes, you may. MS. BAIR: And, your Honor, I would 4 5 like to have an invoice marked as Staff Exhibit 6 1. 7 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: It shall be so 8 marked. 9 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION) 10 Mr. Long, do you recognize this Ο. 11 document marked as Staff Exhibit 1? 12 Α. I do. 13 Q. Could you please tell me what that 14 is? Sure. It's a screen shot of the CFR 15 Α. civil forfeiture assessment invoice for this 16 17 case. 18 And you are aware that Mark Ο. 19 Arrasmith is the Respondent in this case; 20 correct? 21 That's correct. Α. 22 Q. And what does this invoice indicate that Mr. Arrasmith did? 23 24 As of today's date it shows that Α. 25 the case has been paid and the invoice is now

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1 closed. 2 And the invoice was paid in full; is Q. 3 that correct? Α. That is correct. 4 5 MS. BAIR: Your Honor, I would like to move Staff Exhibit 1 into evidence. 6 7 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: That will be so admitted. 8 9 (EXHIBIT HEREBY ADMITTED INTO 10 EVIDENCE) 11 MS. BAIR: Thank you. I have no 12 more questions. 13 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: All right. Mr. 14 Long, you are free to step down. 15 MS. BAIR: Your Honor, at this time I would like to make a motion to dismiss. It's 16 17 based on Ohio Administrative Code 4901:2-7-22 18 (b) which states that "If the only remedy 19 requested with respect to a violation is 20 the payment of a forfeiture and full payment of 21 the forfeiture demanded in the Notice is made 22 prior to the execution of a settlement agreement 23 or any final Commission order, full payment 24 constitutes an admission of the occurrence of 25 the violation and shall terminate all

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proceedings." 1 2 It goes on to say that "Full payment 3 under these circumstances shall conclusively establish the occurrence of the violation for 4 5 purposes of consideration of Respondent's 6 history of violations and for determining the 7 appropriate remedy for any future violation." 8 And in this case as demonstrated by Staff Exhibit 1 the Respondent has paid in full. 9 10 Therefore, I am making a motion to dismiss the 11 case based on 4901:2-7-22 (b). 12 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: All right. 13 Thank you for that. I will go ahead and take 14 that motion under advisement. 15 Is there anything else on behalf of 16 Staff? 17 MS. BAIR: Nothing further. Thank 18 you. 19 ATTORNEY EXAMINER: All right. We 20 will go ahead and close the record now. Thank 21 you all. 2.2 (At 10:10 A.M. the hearing was 23 concluded) 24 25

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1	CERTIFICATE	
2	I do hereby certify that the foregoing	
3	is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on	
4	December 12, 2022, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.	
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6	Michael O. Spencer,	
7	Registered Professional Reporter.	
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