BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Request for an Administrative Hearing filed by Sam Peterson on behalf of Kenneth Swogger.

Case No: 22-1193-TR-CVF

STAFF'S MEMORANDUM CONTRA RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO REOPEN THE CASE

On December 27, 2022, what purports to be a joint motion to reopen the abovecaptioned matter was filed on the behalf of American Demolition, Inc. (Company) and Kenneth Swogger (Respondent). However, the motion was filed by a representative of the Company (Sam Peterson) – not by the Respondent. The motion asserts that the Company and Respondent did not know the potential issues with simply paying the forfeiture. The Inspection Report cites the Respondent for two disqualifying violations. The motion claims neither violation is listed on page 2 of the Inspection Report as a disqualifying offense. The motion further states that had the Company and Respondent known that the violations were disqualifying offenses they would not have paid the forfeiture. Attorney, Colin Maher, has filed a notice of appearance for this matter, but it is unclear from the notice whether he represents the Company or the Respondent given that the notice doesn't specifically name either as the client.

The assertions in the motion are only partially true. The violation of C.F.R. 391.11B4-DEN is not listed on page 2 of the Inspection Report as a disqualifying

offense. However, the violation of C.F.R. 2-5-07D is listed as a disqualifying offense.¹ Only the first page of the Inspection Report is attached to the motion. Also attached to the motion is the Notice of Disqualification, which states that the Respondent's disqualification ends on July 17, 2023.

Staff's opposes reopening the hearing for several reasons. First, Staff asks that the Commission not reopen the matter because the alleged good cause stated for the motion is not true and is unsupported (second page of the Inspection Report was not included with the motion). Second, the Company has no standing to request the matter be reopened.² Third, the motion was filed by the Company's representative (Sam Peterson) on the behalf of the Respondent, which is the unauthorized practice of law. Fourth, the matter will be moot by the time that the Commission makes a ruling, given the Respondent's disqualification ends on July 17, 2023.

¹ See Attachment A (Inspection Report), highlight added to page 2.

² At the very least, the Company needs to file a motion to intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Yost Ohio Attorney General

John Jones Section Chief

/s/ Robert Eubanks

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Memorandum Contra was served

by electronic mail to the following parties of record, this 28th day of June, 2023.

/s/ Robert Eubanks

Robert Eubanks Assistant Attorney General

PARTIES OF RECORD:

Colin Maher The Maher Law Firm, LLC. 1335 Dublin Road #214A Columbus OH 43215 **Kenneth Swogger** 336 36TH ST NW Canton OH 44709

DRIVER/VEHICLE EXAMINATION REPORT

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DRIVER/VEHICLE EXAMINATION REPORT

Ohio	Public Utilities Commission of 180 East Broad Street Transportation Department Columbus, OH 43215 Phone # : (614)466-0429	f Ohio Fax #: (614)	752-9274	Report Number: Inspection Date: Time Started: Inspection Level: HM Inspection Typ	OH3285015571 11/10/2022 Certification Date: 10:58 Time Ended: 11:26 II - Walk-Around No HM Inspection				
AMERICAN DEMOLITION INC				Driver:	SWOGGER,	, KENNETH K			
4600 AMERICAN	I PARKWAY			License #:	RQ336670		State:	OH	
MADISON, WI 5	53718			Date of Birth:	5/30/1958				
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MC/MX #: 0026	68560	Fax #:							
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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. Any civil forfeiture assessed may be paid or challenge initiated online at

https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/transportation/trucking/resources/motor-carrier-safety-online-services.

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, TASD - 4th floor, 180 E Broad St, Columbus, OH 43215-3793 -OR- Fax (614) 752-9274 within 15 days of the inspection. You may also certify repairs online by registering for the PUCO Community at https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/transportation/trucking/resources/motor-carrier-safety-online-services.

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

If "No Violations Were Discovered" you do not need to return this report.

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Signature of Carrier Official:

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.

****** POSSIBLE CDL DISQUALIFICATION ******

If this roadside inspection identified an alleged violation of one or more of the below noted regulations, your CDL may be disqualified. If the PUCO finds you committed a violation of any of these regulations, the violation will be treated as a conviction for the purposes of federal and state law and notice of such conviction will be forwarded to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). The BMV may disqualify you from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a minimum of 60 days. Any BMV sanction is in addition to sanctions imposed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

177.804(b)(1), 177.804(b)(2), 177 804(b)(3), 177.804(c), 4901:2-5-07D, 383.23(a)(2), 383.51(a), 383.51A-NSIN, 383.51A-NSOUT, 383.51A-SIN, 383.51A-SOUT, 383.93(b)(1), 383.93(b)(2), 383.93(b)(3), 383.93(b)(4), 383.93(b)(5), 391.15(a), 391.15A-NSIN, 391.15A-NSOUT, 391.15A-SIN, 391.15A-SOUT, 392.10(a)(1), 392.10(a)(2), 392.10(a)(3), 392.10(a)(4), 392.11, 392.12, 392.4(a), 392.5(a)(2), 392.5A2-UI, 392.5(c)(2), 392.80(a), 392.82(a) (1), 395.13(d), 396.9(c)(2).

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 Repairer: X Facility: Date:

Report Prepared By: D E Shaffer <u>Badge #:</u> 3285 <u>Copy Received By:</u> SWOGGER, KENNETH K

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