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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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DOCKET NUMBER 0610-C-59-L

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF ADVANCE LUXURY LIMOUSINE, LLC.

Final Decision

June 21, 2007

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

A. General

By citation dated April 26, 2007, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 2797, was ordered to come before the department to answer the allegations made therein.

Pursuant to said citation, the respondent was directed to appear at the Newington office of the Department of Transportation to show cause why Livery Permit Number 2797, issued for the operation of livery service, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its certificate issued pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, et seq.

More specifically, it is alleged that on or about May 23, 2006, a driver for Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC operated a motor vehicle bearing Connecticut marker plate number L6951L in intrastate livery service and exceeded the registered passenger seating capacity in violation of Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-273(a).

The citation was served upon the respondent by first class and certified mail and recited the department's reasons for issuing it.

B. Hearing Held

Pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the public hearing for this citation was held on June 7, 2007.

Notice of the citation and the hearing to be held thereon was given to the respondent and to such other parties as required by Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended.

The hearing on this matter was conducted by a hearing officer designated by the Commissioner of Transportation, pursuant to Section 13b-17 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

C. Appearances

The respondent failed to appear at the hearing. The respondent's mailing address is 66 South Street, Waterbury, Connecticut 06706.

Eugene Morris, Transportation Public Transit Inspector with the Regulatory and Compliance Unit, presented evidence on behalf of the department.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The respondent is the holder of Livery Permit Number 2797 in the name of Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC and is authorized to operate motor vehicles in livery service from a headquarters in Waterbury.
- 2. On May 23, 2006, a driver for Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC operated a motor vehicle bearing Connecticut marker plate number L6951L in intrastate livery service and exceeded the registered passenger seating capacity in violation of Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-273(a).
- 3. The Citation Notice certified green card was returned to the department unsigned and stamped "Return to Sender, Unable to forward".
 - 4. The respondent failed to appear at the hearing.

III. <u>DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW</u>

The Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the operation of motor vehicles in livery service in the State of Connecticut accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, the department may amend or for sufficient cause suspend or revoke any such permit. Further, the department may impose a civil penalty on any person who violates any provision of the governing chapter or any regulation adopted under Section 13b-103, as amended, with respect to fares, service, operation or equipment, in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per day for each violation.

The evidence shows that on May 23, 2006, a driver for Advanced Luxury Limousine, LLC operated a motor vehicle bearing Connecticut marker plate number L6951L in intrastate livery service and exceeded the registered seating capacity in violation of Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-273(a). The respondent failed to appear at the hearing. As a result of the respondent's failure to appear, respondent's Livery Permit Number 2797, standing in the name of Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC, is hereby revoked.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, Livery Permit Number 2797, standing in the name of Advance Luxury Limousine, LLC is hereby revoked, said revocation to be effective fifteen (15) days from the date of this final decision.

This final decision constitutes notice in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-182(c).

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this the 21st day of June 2007.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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