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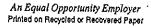
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DOCKET NUMBER 1110-C-99-L (Case No. LV10-0611-31)

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF AMERICAN LIMOUSINE, INC.

Final Decision

. December 8, 2011



I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

A. General

By citation dated November 17, 2011, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, American Limousine, Inc. (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 2056, 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 2056, issued for the operation of livery service, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its livery permit pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, et seq.

More specifically, it is alleged that the respondent violated Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes in that it failed to maintain an active headquarters.

The citation was served upon the respondent at 165 Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830 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 December 6, 2011.

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. Notice to the public was made on the department's website.

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 after being duly notified by certified mail. The respondent's mailing address is 165 Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830.

Eugene Morris, Public Transportation Transit Inspector with the Regulatory and Compliance Unit, was the case presenter in this matter.

II. FINDING OF FACTS

- 1. After a notice of hearing that was sent to the respondent was returned to the department unclaimed, the Regulatory and Compliance Unit instituted an investigation.
 - 2. The respondent was found to not be operating an active headquarters.
 - 3. The respondent has not notified the department when it moved its headquarters as required.
 - 4. The respondent failed to appear at the hearing after being duly notified.

5. Some of the certified mail sent by the respondent has been signed for but the respondent has refused to communicate with the department.

III. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

The Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the operation of motor vehicles in livery service in the State of Connecticut in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, 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-102 through 13b-109, 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 respondent has ceased responding to its mail. Returned envelopes are stamped with the words Return to Sender, Attempted Not Known, Unable to Forward. The respondent has ceased operating a headquarters at the address it was supposed to be operating from. The respondent has also failed to appear at the hearing.

Based on the evidence presented, the respondent's Permit Number 2056 must be revoked.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, livery permit number 2056, in the name of American Limousine, Inc. is hereby revoked.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this the 8th day of December 2011.

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