

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NUMBER 1410-C-177-T .

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF SAN MIGUEL TRANSPORTATION, INC.

FINAL DECISION

JANUARY 30, 2015

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General

By citation dated January 12, 2015, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, San Miguel Transportation, Inc. (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 3111, 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 Permit Number 3111, issued for the operation of livery service, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its permit pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, et seq.

More specifically, it is alleged that the respondent violated Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-29 for failure to insure its vehicles and the following Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies:

Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Docket 8500-

- 1. Section 7 Failure to notify of interruption of service.
- 2. Section 11 Failure to notify of removal of motor bus

The citation was served upon the respondent by 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 January 22, 2015.

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 did not make an appearance in this matter. The respondent's mailing address is 227 Jefferson Avenue, New London, Connecticut 06320.

Richard Majka, 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 Permit 3111 and is authorized to operate in livery service.
- 2. On October 14, 2014, the Department of Transportation received notification from the Department of Motor vehicles concerning the fact that as of that date, respondent's license plates had been cancelled due to no insurance.
- 3. The department sent the respondent a warning letter on October 21, 2014, indicating that its company was under investigation for potential violations.

4. The respondent did not appear at the hearing.

III. DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS

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 the respondent has not had active license plates since October 2014. Most likely, the respondent is now out of business. The respondent failed to appear at the hearing and therefore must have its livery permit revoked.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, Livery Permit Number 3111, held in the name of San Miguel Transportation, Inc. is hereby revoked twenty-one (21) 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 30th day of January 2015.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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