



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NUMBER 1509-C-125-L

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF STAMFORD
TRANSPORTATION, INC.

FINAL DECISION

DECEMBER 14, 2015

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General

By citation dated October 21, 2015, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, Stamford Transportation, Inc. (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 3330, 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 3330, 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 the following Connecticut General Statutes Sections:

1. 13b-102(2)(b) Failure to register an active FMCSA certificate.
2. 14-29 Failure to have insurance

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 December 3, 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

Alib Ahman appeared pro se on behalf of the respondent. The respondent's mailing address is 129 Church Street, Suite 410, New Haven, CT 06510.

Valerie Seery, License and Application Analyst, 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 3330 in the name of Stamford Transportation, Inc. with a headquarters in New Haven which was granted on September 20, 2013.
2. On September 29, 2015, the owner of the respondent company, Alib Ahman, came into the department to apply for another interstate permit. In the process, it was discovered that another company, Stamford Transportation, Inc. owned by Mr. Ahman did not have an active FMCSA registration or current insurance.
3. Prior to the hearing, Mr. Ahman produced documents from his insurance agent that reflected that he had insurance from July 15, 2014, to the date of hearing, so that charge was withdrawn.

4. Mr. Ahmad produced documents that showed that on November 18, 2015, his insurance agent requested reactivation of his FMCSA registration.
5. No proof was shown that the respondent's FMCSA is currently active.
6. The respondent's FMCSA has not been active since December 15, 2014.

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 Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration dropped the respondent from its active records in December 15, 2014. The respondent has not shown that he come into compliance having produced no official record proving that he is in compliance.

The respondent will be assessed a civil penalty of \$500 for not having a active FMCSA. The respondent has fifteen days from the date of the final decision to prove to the hearing officer that he is in compliance with his FMCSA registration. In addition, the department will do periodic site visits to the respondent's headquarters to ensure compliance with all of the necessary requirements.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, the respondent is hereby ordered to pay to the Department of Transportation, a civil penalty in the amount of **\$500 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** by certified check, bank check or money order made payable to the "Treasurer, State of Connecticut," within **thirty (30)** days from the date of this final decision.


The respondent must submit to the hearing officer within fifteen (15) days of the date of this final decision, proof from the federal government that his FMSCA certificate has been reinstated.

Failure of the respondent to comply with this order shall result in immediate revocation without further proceeding.

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

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this 14th day of December 2015.

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