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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NUMBER 1204-C-60-L
(Case No. LV04-0412-15)

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF CHIEPPO CHARTERS, INC.

FINAL DECISION

July 31, 2012

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General

By citation dated May 1, 2012, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, Chieppo Charters, Inc. (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 2437, 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 2437, 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 for failure to register and insure any vehicles under its permit.

The citation was served upon the respondent at P.O. Box 501, Ansonia, Connecticut, 06401 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 July 19, 2012.

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 in this matter despite being duly notified.

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

II. FINDING OF FACTS

1. The respondent has authority to operate a bus livery service with a headquarters in Ansonia.
2. The respondent has not registered or insured any vehicles under its livery permit since February 19, 2012 when its registrations were cancelled as a result of not having insurance.
3. The respondent has no vehicles in operation.

4. The respondent failed to attend the hearing.

III. DISCUSSION

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 not had any vehicles registered or insured since February 19, 2012. Since the respondent failed to appear to attend the hearing, the respondent's livery permit must be revoked.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, livery permit number 2437 in the name of the respondent, Chieppo Charters, Inc. will be revoked fifteen days from the date of this final decision.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this 31st day of July 2012.

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