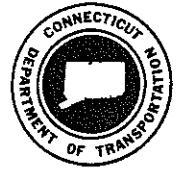


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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



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DOCKET NUMBER 0704-C-65-T

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF CITY CAB, LLC.

Final Decision

July 30, 2007

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. General

By citation dated April 25, 2007, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-97, as amended, City Cab, LLC (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Certificate Number 1153, 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 Certificate Number 1153, issued for the operation of taxicab service, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its certificate pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-96, et seq.

More specifically, it is alleged that since October 17, 2006, the respondent operated a taxicab without a taxi meter in violation of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 13b-96-38(a).

It is further alleged that the respondent operated a taxicab without clear and distinct lettering in violation of Section 13b-96-44(d) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

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-96 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the public hearing for this citation was held on July 19, 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-96, 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

John M. Sarwar appeared pro se at the hearing. The respondent's mailing address is 7 Cricket Road, East Windsor, Connecticut 06088.

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 Certificate 1153 in the name of City Cab, LLC and is authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle in taxicab service in the Hartford area.
2. On April 11, 2007, the respondent was stopped at Bradley International Airport for operating a taxicab without a meter.
3. The respondent's vehicle was painted in such a way that the lettering blended into the vehicle paint color.
4. The respondent has since installed a taxi meter in the vehicle and painted the vehicle lettering in a contrasting color.

III. DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the operation of motor vehicles in taxicab service in the State of Connecticut accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-96, as amended.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-97, 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-96, as amended, with respect to fares, service, operation or equipment, in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars per day for each violation.

The evidence shows that the respondent on April 11, 2007 violated several department regulations. Specifically, the respondent violated sections 13b-96-38(a)-operating a taxicab without a meter and 13b-96-44(d)-operating a taxicab without clear and distinct lettering.

The respondent corrected the lettering problem on April 12, 2007 and the sign problem on April 13, 2007, just days after the ticket was issued. Since the respondent corrected the situation promptly, the department will be lenient and assess a small civil penalty on the respondent.

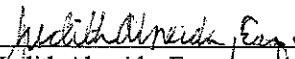
IV. ORDER

Based on the above, the respondent is hereby ordered to pay to the department of Transportation, a civil penalty in the amount of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100), 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.

Failure of the respondent to comply with this order shall result in 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 the 30th day of July 2007.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

  
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