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February 20, 2014

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

RE: C-2014-2404251

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to file an Answer to contest the Complaint regarding Medical Certificates for 5 drivers. Upon learning about the medical certificate requirements, we immediately took action to follow the necessary steps in order to become compliant with PUC regulations.

First, we reviewed Pa. Code 29.508, and according to this code only drivers operating vehicles with 9-15 passengers are required to meet physical qualifications in accordance with 49 CFR 391.41 – 391.49, which requires medical certification.

In this case, only one of our drivers operates larger vehicles accommodating parties of 9-15 passengers. Therefore, we believe only one (1) of our drivers is subject to the provision requiring a Medical Certificate. We believe that the other 4 drivers implicated in this complaint are indeed up to code and in compliance.

Second, we located the Self-Certification Form, the Medical Examiner's Report, and the Medical Examiner's Certificate on the Pennsylvania DOT website. Next, we immediately issued copies of these forms to drivers with instructions on how to work with health care providers to complete these forms.

Prior to receiving notice of this Complaint, we were unaware of the Medical Certificate requirements, and we are working rapidly to remedy the situation.

We do have an excellent record with the PUC and we kindly request that we be granted the opportunity to set up an inspection as soon as possible in order to continue to provide our clients with excellent service in a safe and compliant vehicle.

We respectfully request that the violation amount of \$500.00 that has been assessed to us be waived, as we had no knowledge the non-compliance of this code and we believe that this code only applies to one (1) and not five (5) drivers as indicated on the Complaint.

Sincerely,

Natalia Sara Alkurdi