



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE

November 3, 2014

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

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Bureau of Investigation
and Enforcement v. Robert G. Sprout t/a Sprout Delivery Service
Docket No. C-2014-2432975

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for electronic filing is the Motion for Default Judgment of the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in the above-captioned matter.

Copies have been served on the parties of record in accordance with the Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephanie M. Wimer", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Stephanie M. Wimer
Prosecutor
PA Attorney I.D. No. 207522

Enclosure

cc: As per certificate of service

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement	:	
Complainant	:	
	:	Docket No. C-2014-2432975
v.	:	
	:	
Robert G. Sprout	:	
t/a Sprout Delivery Service	:	
Respondent	:	

NOTICE TO PLEAD

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.103, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E) of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) has filed a Motion for Default Judgment in the above-captioned matter. You are hereby notified to file a written response within twenty (20) days of the service of the Motion, consistent with Commission procedural regulations at 52 Pa. Code §5.61.

Your Answer must be verified and the original sent to:
Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Additionally, you must serve a copy on:
Wayne T. Scott
First Deputy Chief Prosecutor
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105



Stephanie M. Wimer
Prosecutor
PA Attorney I.D. 207522

Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
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(717) 772-8839

Dated: November 3, 2014

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MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT

NOW COMES the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission’s (“Commission”) Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”), by its prosecuting attorneys, and files this Motion for Default Judgment against Robert G. Sprout t/a Sprout Delivery Service (“Respondent”) pursuant to Section 5.103 of the Commission’s regulations, 52 Pa. Code §5.103. In support thereof, I&E respectfully represents as follows:

1. I&E commenced this action on July 21, 2014 by filing a Complaint. The Complaint was served by certified mail on July 22, 2014.
2. Attached to the Complaint was a Notice advising Respondent that it must file an Answer within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint.
3. The Notice also advised Respondent that if it failed to answer the Complaint, I&E would request that the Commission issue an Order imposing the penalty set forth in the Complaint.
4. On August 1, 2014, Respondent signed a receipt confirming that it received the Complaint. A true and correct copy of proof of delivery of the Complaint is attached as Exhibit 1.

5. The twenty (20) days to file an Answer to the Complaint expired on August 21, 2014.
6. Respondent did not file an Answer to the Complaint.
7. Pursuant to Section 5.61(c) of the Commission's regulations, a Respondent who fails to file an Answer to a Complaint within the 20-day response period may be deemed in default, and the relevant facts stated in the Complaint may be deemed admitted. 52 Pa. Code §5.61(c).
8. The Commonwealth Court has upheld the Commission's authority to sustain complaints that are not answered within twenty days. *See Fusaro v. Pa. PUC*, 382 A.2d 794, 797 (Pa. Cmwlth. 1978).
9. Respondent did not pay the outstanding assessment for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 fiscal years. In addition, Respondent did not pay the civil penalty that was requested in the Complaint regarding Respondent's failure to pay its assessment for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 fiscal years and file an assessment report demonstrating 2012 calendar year revenues.
10. I&E respectfully requests that the Commission enter a Default Order against Respondent that:
 - a. Directs Respondent to pay its outstanding assessment of \$905 for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 fiscal years and the requested civil penalty of \$1,136 within thirty (30) days of the entry date of the Commission's Order;
 - b. Directs the Bureau of Technical Utility Services to cancel Respondent's certificate of public convenience at A-00114116 if the assessment and civil penalty is not timely paid;
 - c. Notifies Respondent that a copy of this Order will be sent to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the suspension or revocation of vehicle registrations that were used under Respondent's operating authority; and

- d. Directs the Bureau of Administrative Services, Assessment Section to refer the matter to the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General for collection of the unpaid assessments.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephanie Wimer
Prosecutor
PA Attorney ID No. 207522

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
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Date: November 3, 2014

VERIFICATION

I, Mandy Freas, Accountant, Bureau of Administrative Services, Assessment Section, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief and that I expect the Bureau will be able to prove the same at any hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: November 3, 2014



Mandy Freas, Accountant
Assessment Section
Bureau of Administrative Services
PA. Public Utility Commission
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EXHIBIT 1

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Profile Print Guide Export

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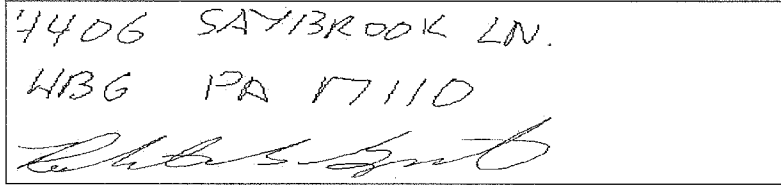
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Status History ?

Tracking Number Information

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Tracking Number:	9171969009350047114989	Sender:	
Current Status:	OK : Delivered	Recipient:	
Class of Mail	FC	Zip Code:	17110
Service:	ERR	City:	HARRISBURG
Value	\$0.690	State:	PA

Proof of delivery



Status Details

Status Date	Status
Fri, 08/01/14, 02:02:00 PM	OK : Delivered
Wed, 07/23/14, 06:04:00 PM	Delayed: No Authorized Recipient Available
Wed, 07/23/14, 04:44:00 AM	Dispatched from Sort Facility
Wed, 07/23/14, 03:06:00 AM	Processed (processing scan)
Tue, 07/22/14, 07:29:00 PM	Processed (processing scan)
Tue, 07/22/14, 06:14:00 PM	Origin Acceptance
Tue, 07/22/14, 05:40:00 PM	OK: USPS acknowledges reception of info

Note: Delivery status updates are processed throughout the day and posted upon receipt from the Postal Service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the parties, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 *et seq.* (relating to service by a party).

Service by First Class Mail:

Robert G. Sprout
t/a Sprout Delivery Service
4406 Saybrook Lane
Harrisburg, PA 17110



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