

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT

V.

RICHARD A SILFIES
1300 NORTH COTTONWOOD RD
DANIELSVILLE, PA 18038

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: DOCKET NO. C-2024-3046340
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COMPLAINT

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) is a duly constituted agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania empowered to regulate public utilities within the Commonwealth. The Commission has delegated its authority to initiate proceedings which are prosecutory in nature to the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement and other bureaus with enforcement responsibilities. Pursuant to that delegated authority and Section 701 of the Public Utility Code, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement hereby represents as follows:

1. That RICHARD A. SILFIES, Respondent, maintains a mailing address 1300 North Cottonwood Road, Danielsville, PA 18038.

2. That on February 1, 2024, by Commission Secretarial letter, Respondent was issued a certificate of public convenience by this Commission authorizing transportation, as a common carrier, by motor vehicle, property, excluding household goods in use, between points in Pennsylvania at PUC utility code no. 8926839 at A-2024-3045819.

3. That PUC Enforcement Officer Douglas Wells attempted to contact the Respondent by email on February 16, 2024, through March 25, 2024, On April 22, 2024, a certified letter was sent to the Respondent which was delivered to an individual on April 25, 2024. A second and third letter was sent to the Respondent, with no response from the Respondent.

4. That Respondent, by failing to respond to and achieve a satisfactory evaluation on a safety fitness review, violated 66 Pa §501(c) & §504. The penalty for this violation is cancellation of the certificate held by Respondent with this Commission at utility code 8926839.

WHEREFORE, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement hereby requests that the Commission revoke the certificate of public convenience issued to Richard A Silfies, at PUC utility code number 8926839.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian B. Mehus, Chief
Motor Carrier Enforcement
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
100 Lackawanna Avenue Room 320
Scranton, PA 18503

VERIFICATION

I, Brian B. Mehus, 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 that 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: 24 June 2024



Brian B. Mehus, Chief
Motor Carrier Enforcement
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement

NOTICE

- A. You must file an Answer within twenty (20) days of the date of service of this Complaint. The date of service is the mailing date as indicated at the top of the Secretarial Cover Letter for this Complaint and Notice, 52 Pa. Code §1.56(a). An Answer is a written explanation of circumstances wished to be considered in determining the outcome. The Answer shall raise all factual and legal arguments that you wish to claim in your defense and must include the reference number of this Complaint. Your Answer must be verified, and the original shall be mailed to:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street, 2nd Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Or you may **eFile your Answer** using the Commission's website at www.puc.pa.gov. The link to eFiling is located under the Filing & Resources tab on the homepage. If your Answer is 250 pages or less, you are not required to file a paper copy.

Additionally, a copy should either be mailed to:

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street, 2nd Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Or, **e-mailed to:** RA-PCCmplntResp@pa.gov

- B. If you fail to answer this complaint within twenty (20) days, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request that the Commission issue a Secretarial Letter imposing a penalty. The penalty could include a fine, the suspension or revocation of your certificate of public convenience or other remedy.
- C. If you file an Answer, which admits or fails to deny the allegations of the Complaint, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request that the Commission issue a Secretarial Letter imposing a penalty.
- D. If you file an Answer which contests the Complaint, the matter will be assigned to an Administrative Law Judge for hearing and decision. The judge is not bound by the optional fine set forth above.
- E. Alternative formats of this material are available for persons with disabilities by contacting the Commission's ADA Coordinator at 717-787-8714.