

NOTICE OF MOTOR CARRIER COMPLAINT

- 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 should 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 **mailed to:**

Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
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 and Resources tab on the homepage. If your Answer exceeds 250 pages, you must also file a paper copy with the Secretary's Bureau.

In addition to filing your Answer with the Commission's Secretary, a copy should either be

Mailed to: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, 3W
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 such remedy.
- C. You may elect not to contest this Complaint by paying the fine proposed in this Complaint by certified check or money order. **Payment must be made to "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania"** and forwarded to:
- Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
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400 North Street, 2nd Floor
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- D. Your payment is an admission that you committed the alleged violation and an agreement to cease and desist from further violations. Upon receipt of your payment, the Complaint proceeding shall be closed.
- E. 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 fine and/or other such remedy.
- F. If you file an Answer which contests the Complaint, the matter will be assigned to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for hearing and decision. The ALJ is not bound by the optional fine set forth above.
- G. Alternative formats of this material are available for persons with disabilities by contacting the Commission's ADA Coordinator at 717-787-8714.

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION	:	
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT	:	
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v.	:	DOCKET NO. C-2025-3053921
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LA MEXICANA EXPRESS SERVICE, LLC.	:	
534 MINOR STREET	:	
READING, PA 19602	:	

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The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “PUC”) 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 – Motor Carrier Division hereby represents as follows:

1. That LA MEXICANA EXPRESS SERVICE, LLC, Respondent, maintains its principal place of business at 534 Minor Street, Reading, PA 19602.
2. That Respondent was issued a certificate of public convenience for taxi authority on January 2, 2018; paratransit authority on October 8, 2014; and limousine authority on September 14, 2015, by this Commission at PUC Utility Code No. 6415209.
3. That on May 7, 2025, PUC Motor Carrier Enforcement Officer David Drago conducted an annual inspection of vehicles and drivers’ records.
4. That at the time of inspection, Respondent was operating eight vehicles.
5. That the inspection determined that all eight vehicles of the Respondent were missing matching wheel covers, violating 52 Pa. Code § 29.403(7). The penalty for this violation is \$100.
6. That inspection of a 2014 Honda CRV, PA registration number LM32136, the last four numbers of the vehicle identification number being 9201, was operating as a limo when the minimum wheelbase for vehicles operating in limousine service is 109 inches. The CRV wheelbase is 103.1 inches per the manufacturer. This violates 52 Pa. Code §29.333(b). The penalty for this violation is \$100.
7. That inspection of a 2018 Chevy Equinox, PA registration number TX51040, the last four numbers of the vehicle identification number being 1722, company number 13, was operating with a meter determined to be operating fast/slow violating 52 Pa. Code §29.314(b)(6). The penalty for this violation is \$250.
8. That inspection of a 2021 Nissan Rogue, PA registration number TX51353, the last four numbers of the vehicle identification number being 0778, company number 33, was operating with a meter determined to be operating fast/slow violating of 52 Pa. Code § 29.314(b)(6). The penalty for this violation is \$250.

9. That inspection of a 2015 Lincoln, PA registration number LM31790, the last four numbers of the vehicle identification number being 9201, found that the right front tire cord was exposed in the tread of the tire, violating 52 Pa. Code §29.402(1); 67 Pa. Code §175.80(e) . The penalty for this violation is \$100.

10. That the vehicle described in numbered paragraph 9 also had a left front turn signal that was inoperable, violating of 52 Pa. Code §29.402(1); 67 Pa. Code §175.66(f) . The penalty for this violation is \$100.

WHEREFORE, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement hereby requests that the Commission fine LA MEXICANA EXPRESS SERVICE, LLC, the sum of nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) for the illegal activity described in this Complaint and order such other remedy as the Commission may deem to be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,



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Motor Carrier Enforcement
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
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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 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: 2 July 2025

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