BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Investigation of 4 Seasons)	
AG, LLC of Colby, Kansas, Regarding the)	
Violation of the Motor Carrier Safety Statutes,)	
Rules and Regulations and the Commission's)	Docket No. 17-TRAM-407-PEN
Authority to Impose Penalties, Sanctions)	
and/or the Revocation of Motor Carrier)	
Authority.)	

MOTION TO AMEND PENALTY ORDER

The Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission, respectively) by and through its counsel Ahsan A. Latif file this Motion requesting the Commission issue an Amended Penalty Order amending the penalty assessed to 4 Seasons AG, LLC (4 Seasons AG), by fifty-percent (50%) less than the penalty assessed in the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017. In support of this Motion, Staff states as follows:

- 1. On April 4, 2017, a Penalty Order was issued to 4 Seasons AG assessing it a penalty of \$500 for two (2) violation(s) of Kansas law that governs motor carriers, including various provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs), as adopted by the Kansas Administrative Regulations. The violations were found during a Safety Compliance Review conducted by Special Investigator(s) Penny Fryback, on February 15, 2017.
- 1. The Notice of Penalty Assessment attached to the Penalty Order advised 4 Seasons AG it was a New Entrant carrier and was eligible for a fifty-percent (50%) reduced penalty if it submitted a signed and dated Reduced Penalty Agreement within fifteen (15) days from the date of the Penalty Order, stating it will comply with the reduced penalty option terms and obligations stated therein.
- 2. On April 19, 2017, 4 Seasons AG submitted the Reduced Penalty Agreement.

 The Corrective Action Plan was submitted by the carrier and has been approved by

Transportation Staff. The Reduced Penalty Agreement is attached hereto and is hereby incorporated by reference.

- 3. Staff recommends the Commission issue an Amended Penalty Order assessing 4 Seasons AG a reduced penalty of \$250 and requesting it to comply with the following terms and obligations:
 - a. Within thirty (30) days from the date of the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017
 4 Seasons AG shall send an individual responsible for safety compliance to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar, and proof of attendance must been submitted to the Transportation Division;
 - b. within eighteen (18) months of the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017, 4

 Seasons AG must submit to a follow-up Safety Compliance Review.

 Transportation Staff will contact the carrier to set up the review; and
 - c. within (30) days from the date of service of the requested Amended Penalty
 Order 4 Seasons AG must submit payment of \$250.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, Staff requests an Amended Penalty Order be issued by the Commission assessing 4 Seasons AG, LLC a reduced penalty of \$250, which is fifty-percent (50%) less than penalty(s) assessed pursuant to the FY 2017 Uniform Penalty Assessment Matrix, and ordering it to comply with the proposed terms and obligations set out in paragraph 3 above.

Respectfully submitted,

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REDUCED PENALTY AGREEMENT

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- 4 Seasons AG, LLC hereby submits this Reduced Penalty Agreement to become eligible for a fifty percent (50%) reduction in the penalty assessed in the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017. 4 Seasons AG has agreed to comply with the following terms and obligations:
- 1. 4 Seasons AG has submitted, within fifteen (15) days from the date of the Penalty Order issued on April 4, 2017, this Reduced Penalty Agreement to Litigation Counsel at the above address.
- 2. 4 Seasons AG will, within 30 days from the date of the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017, submit to Transportation Staff an approved Corrective Action Plan (CAP) documenting the violation(s) describing specific and detailed information explaining the carrier's efforts and concrete steps taken to ensure the violation(s) do not occur in the future.
- 3. 4 Seasons AG will, within thirty (30) days from the date of the Penalty Order dated April 4, 2017, send an individual responsible for safety compliance to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar, and proof of attendance will be submitted to the Transportation Division.

4 Seasons AG, LLC understands that Transportation Litigation Counsel will file a Motion for Amended Penalty Order with the agreement attached to the motion. The Amended Penalty Order will assess 4 Seasons AG a fifty-percent (50%) reduced penalty of \$250, and set out the terms and conditions stated above. Once the Amended Penalty Order is issued by the Commission, 4 Seasons AG will have thirty (30) days from the date of service of the Amended Order to pay the reduced penalty assessed.

Dated this // day of April , 2017.

4 Seasons AG, LLC

Kansas Corporation Commission

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Office of Litigation Counsel

TR Babst Managing Member

VERIFICATION

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STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

Ahsan A. Latif, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states that he is Litigation Counsel for the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas; that he has read and is familiar with the foregoing *Motion to Amend Penalty Order*, and attests that the statements therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Alsan A. Latif, S. Ct. # 20/ Litigation Counsel

The State Corporation Commission

of the State of Kansas

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 19th day of April, 2017.

My Appt. Expires 6-30-18

Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: June 30, 2018

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Motion to Amend Penalty Order was served via electronic service this 19th day of April, 2017, to the following:

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