### THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION **OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners:	Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair	
	Jay Scott Emler	
	Pat Apple	

In the Matter of the Emergency Suspension of ) Operating Authority of U.S. Underground, Inc. ) of Olathe, Kansas, for Failure to Comply with ) New Entrant Safety Requirements as Required by ) the Motor Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and ) Regulations.

Docket No. 15-TRAM-492-OOS

### **ORDER REINSTATING MOTOR CARRIER OPERATING AUTHORITY**

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The above-captioned matter comes on for consideration and determination by the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) upon its own motion. The Commission, being fully advised in the premises, finds as follows:

#### I. JURISDICTION

1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,108b, 66-1,111, 66-1,112, 66-1,114, 66-1,114b and 66-1,115, and amendments thereto, the Commission is given full power, authority and jurisdiction to supervise and control motor carriers, as defined in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,108, doing business or procuring business in Kansas, and is empowered to do all things necessary and convenient for the exercise of such power, authority, and jurisdiction.

2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,129a, 66-1,130, and 66-1,142b, and amendments thereto, the Commission may suspend operations, revoke, or amend certificates, and initiate sanctions or fines against every motor carrier and every person who violates any provision of Kansas law in regard to the regulation of such motor carriers and persons, or who fails to obey any order, decision, or regulation of the Commission.

3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,129(a)(7), the Commission has adopted motor carrier transportation regulations (K.A.R. 82-4-1 *et seq.*) consistent with the federal motor carrier safety assistance program and other federal requirements concerning transportation of hazardous waste.

#### **II. BACKGROUND**

4. U.S. Underground, Inc. is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,108 that operates commercial motor vehicle(s) in both intrastate and interstate commerce in a manner that requires authority.

5. U.S. Underground, Inc. is registered as a motor carrier with the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and operates under USDOT Number 2568519.

6. The Commission received notice from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration that U.S. Underground, Inc.'s New Entrant Registration had been revoked effective April 17, 2015 for failure to comply with safety requirements.

7. Pursuant to the above authority, on April 28, 2015, the Commission entered an Emergency Suspension of Operating Authority Order on U.S. Underground, Inc. in the above-referenced docket, until such time that Staff recommended reinstatement.

#### **III. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION**

8. On May 19, 2015, the Staff of the Transportation Division of the Kansas Corporation Commission (Staff) received notice from the U.S. Department of Transportation,

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Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, that U.S. Underground, Inc. has submitted evidence of compliance with safety requirements as required in 49 C.F.R. 385.329. As a result, the carrier's reapplication for New Entrant registration under USDOT No. 2568519 has been approved and the carrier's authority to operate in interstate operations has been reinstated. See attached FMCSA reinstatement documentation.

9. Based on the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's reinstatement, it is Staff's recommendation to reinstate U.S. Underground, Inc.'s motor carrier operating authority in Kansas.

#### **IV. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

10. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction over U.S. Underground, Inc. because it is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-1,108.

11. Based on the available facts, the Commission finds that Staff's recommendation to reinstate U.S. Underground, Inc.'s operating authority in Kansas is reasonable.

#### THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

(A) U.S. Underground, Inc.'s certificate, permit or license that is necessary to carry on the business of a private and/or public motor carrier in Kansas is hereby reinstated.

(B) U.S. Underground, Inc. remains obligated to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar pursuant to the Emergency Suspension of Operating Authority Order at paragraph
B., entered on April 28, 2015.

(C) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further Orders as it may deem necessary and proper.

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## BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ JUN 0 2 2015

Amy Gelbert ORDER MAILED JUN 0 3 2015

Amy L. Gilbert Secretary

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U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

FLORIAN GOMBOS OWNER FLORIAN GOMBOS U S UNDERGROUND INC 15814 W 126TH STREET OLATHE, KS 66062 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E. Washington, DC 20590 May 19, 2015

In reply refer to: USDOT Number: 2568519

#### Action Required: Call to schedule a Safety Audit.

According to Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) records thirty days have elapsed since FLORIAN GOMBOS's USDOT New Entrant registration was revoked on April 17, 2015, and that FLORIAN GOMBOS has reapplied in accordance with 49 CFR 385.329. This is to inform FLORIAN GOMBOS that FLORIAN GOMBOS's reapplication for USDOT New Entrant registration has been approved.

A safety audit has not yet been conducted; FLORIAN GOMBOS should contact your local State Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) office 785-296-7189 as soon as possible to schedule a safety audit. In accordance with 49 CFR section 385.337, failure to permit a safety audit to be performed may result in the revocation of FLORIAN GOMBOS's USDOT New Entrant registration and FLORIAN GOMBOS's interstate operation being placed out of service. Additionally, the refusal to submit to a safety audit may also subject a new entrant motor carrier to the penalty provisions in 49 U.S.C. 521(b) (2) (A), as adjusted by inflation.

FLORIAN GOMBOS's 18-month new entrant safety monitoring period restarts as of May 19, 2015. FMCSA will continue to monitor and evaluate FLORIAN GOMBOS's safety management practices and onroad performance to ensure FLORIAN GOMBOS has basic safety management controls that are operating effectively and is complying with Federal requirements including the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) and applicable Federal Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMRs). Failure to comply with applicable requirements may result in the revocation of FLORIAN GOMBOS's USDOT New Entrant or permanent registration.

FLORIAN GOMBOS'S USDOT number can be found in the upper right hand corner of this letter. This USDOT number should be marked on commercial motor vehicles operated by FLORIAN GOMBOS as required by 49 CFR section 390.21. A copy of the FMCSRs, including this regulation, may be found on the FMCSA web site, http://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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Joseph P. DeLorenzo, Director, Office of Enforcement and Compliance

# PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET TO THE FOLLOWING:

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FLORIAN GOMBOS, STOCKHOLDER U.S. UNDERGROUND, INC. 15814 W 126TH ST OLATHE, KS 66062-5243

ORDER MAILED JUN 0 3 2015

The Docket Room hereby certified that on this day of , 20 , it caused a true and correct copy of the attached ORDER to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the above persons.