

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Investigation of **Tad Bit Inc, of**)
Dighton, Kansas, Regarding the Violation of the)
Motor Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and)
Regulations and the Commission's Authority to) Docket No. 24-TRAM-834-UCR
Impose Penalties, Sanctions and/or the Revocation)
of Motor Carrier Authority.)

ORDER REINSTATING INTRASTATE MOTOR CARRIER OPERATIONS

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

I. JURISDICTION

1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1,111, 66-1,112, 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 49 C.F.R. 390.5 and as adopted by K.A.R. 82-4-3f, 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. 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. 66-1,129(a)(7), no public motor carrier of property, household goods or passengers or private motor carrier of property shall operate, or allow the operation of, any commercial motor vehicle on any public highway in this state without following rules and regulations consistent with the federal motor carrier safety assistance program.

II. BACKGROUND

4. Tad Bit Inc, of Dighton, Kansas (Carrier), is a motor carrier as defined in K.A.R. 82-4-3f that operates commercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce.

5. Carrier is registered as a motor carrier with the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and operates under USDOT Number 972646.

6. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1,139a and K.A.R. 82-4-30a, motor carriers operating interstate commerce must pay Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) fees annually, by January 1, 2024. Carrier failed to pay its annual UCR fees by January 1, 2024, as required by 49 C.F.R. 367.40 and adopted by K.A.R. 82-4-30a.

7. On August 27, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Suspending Intrastate Motor Carrier Operations,¹ due to non-compliance with a Penalty Order issued on June 18, 2024.² The Penalty Order assessed Carrier a \$300 civil fine for failing to timely pay its 2024 UCR fees. The Commission's Penalty Order is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Order.

8. On September 10, 2024, Carrier submitted payment of the \$300 civil assessment and submitted payment of their 2024 UCR fees. Transportation Staff (Staff) confirmed the payments have been made as of that date and determined the Carrier was now in compliance with Kansas motor carrier safety statutes, rules and regulations pursuant to the above-referenced Penalty Order.

¹Order Suspending Intrastate Motor Carrier Operations (Aug. 27, 2024).

² See Penalty Order, Docket No. 24-TRAM-834-UCR (Jun. 18, 2024).

9. On September 10, 2024, Staff filed a Motion to Reinstate Intrastate Motor Carrier Operations on Carrier.

III. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

10. Based on Carrier's compliance, Staff recommends the Commission reinstate Carrier's Kansas motor carrier operations.

IV. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

11. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction over Carrier, because it is a motor carrier as defined in 49 C.F.R. 390.5 and as adopted by K.A.R. 82-4-3f.

12. Based on the available facts and information that was submitted by Carrier to the KCC, the Commission finds that Staff's recommendation to reinstate Tad Bit Inc's motor carrier operations is reasonable.

THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

A. Tad Bit Inc's intrastate motor carrier authority is hereby reinstated.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 09/17/2024 _____



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of
09/17/2024
electronic service on _____.

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