

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

Before Commissioners: Mark Sievers, Chairman
 Ward Loyd
 Thomas E. Wright

In the Matter of the Investigation of **EEI, LLC**)
Hotchkiss, Colorado, Pursuant to the Kansas)
Highway Patrol Issuance of a Notice of Violation) Docket No. 12-GIMM-012-KHP
for Violations of the Kansas Motor Carrier Safety)
Statutes, Rules and Regulations.)

ORDER GRANTING STAFF'S THIRD MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

The Staff's Third Motion for Continuance filed on December 30, 2011, comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration. The Commission, being duly advised in the premises, and after having examined its files and records, finds and concludes as follows:

1. On May 4, 2011, the Kansas Highway Patrol issued a Notice of Violation against EEI, LLC (Respondent) for alleged violations found during an April 27, 2011, routine motor carrier stop and inspection conducted by the Kansas Highway Patrol.
2. On July 11, 2011, Respondent's counsel, Jason P. Hoffman of Hoffman & Hoffman, filed a Request for Hearing on behalf of Respondent.
3. On July 12, 2011, Commission Staff (Staff) issued a Notice of Hearing which set the matter for hearing by the Commission on August 11, 2011, at 11:30 a.m., and established deadlines for prefiled testimony.

4. On September 15, 2011, Staff filed a Second Motion to Continue and on November 23, 2011, the Commission entered an order continuing the hearing to February 2012.

5. Staff filed a Third Motion to Continue stating additional time is necessary to allow the criminal case against Respondent sufficient time to be decided. (District Court of Wabaunsee County, Kansas, Case No. 2011 CR 103.) Staff states that charges against Respondent arising from the motor carrier stop are included in the criminal case. Upon conclusion of the criminal case, Staff and Mr. Hoffman will discuss the need, if any, for Respondent's request for hearing to be renewed and its contested issues be brought before the Commission.

6. In its Motion, Staff therefore requested that the hearing in this matter be continued until April 12, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.; that the filing date for the parties' prefiled direct testimony be extended to ten days prior to the extended hearing date, and that the rebuttal testimony be presented at the hearing in April 2012.

7. The Commission finds that it is reasonable to grant Staff's Second Motion for Continuance and continues the evidentiary hearing on this matter to April 12, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.; and extends the filing date for the parties' prefiled direct testimony to ten (10) days prior to the extended hearing date; and any rebuttal testimony of the parties shall be presented at the hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. Staff's Second Motion for Continuance is granted and the hearing will be continued to April 12, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. The parties' prefiled testimony will be due ten

(10) days prior to that date and any rebuttal testimony of the parties will be presented at the hearing.

B. The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529.

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further order or orders as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Sievers, Chmn; Loyd, Com.; Wright, Com.

Dated: JAN 09 2012


ORDER MAILED JAN 10 2012

Patrice Petersen-Klein
Executive Director

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

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ORDER MAILED JAN 10 2012

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.