# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Investigation of <b>Chad</b>	)
Wende, d/b/a Landmark Landscape of	)
Silver Lake, Kansas, Regarding the	) Docket No. 12-TRAM-244-PEN
Violation of the Motor Carrier Safety	)
Statutes, Rules and Regulations and the	)
Commission's Authority to Impose	)
Penalties, Sanctions and/or the Revocation	)
of Motor Carrier Authority.	•
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### MOTION TO SUSPEND INTRASTATE MOTOR CARRIER OPERATIONS

The Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff), by and through its counsel, files its motion requesting the Commission suspend Chad Wende, d/b/a Landmark Landscape of Silver Lake, Kansas (Respondent) from all intrastate commercial motor carrier operations. In support of its Motion, Staff states as follows:

- 1. Respondent is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 66-1,108, that operates commercial motor vehicle(s) in intrastate commerce.
- 2. Respondent is registered as a motor carrier with the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and operates under USDOT number 1166909.
- 3. On November 4, 2011, the Commission issued Respondent a Penalty Order that assessed a civil penalty to the Respondent of \$2,900 for violations of the Kansas Motor Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and Regulations discovered during a compliance review conducted by Special Investigator Lance Jones on August 31, 2011.
- 4. The Respondent was served with the Penalty Order via certified mail and the Domestic Return Receipt was never returned so the date of service is unknown. The Respondent had 30 days from the date served to pay the civil penalty of \$2,900.

- 5. On April 18, 2012, Respondent paid \$500 towards the penalty of \$2,900, leaving a remaining balance due of \$2,400.
- 6. Respondent was sent a collection letter on March 13, 2017, reminding it of the amount due and giving it 10 days from the date of the collection letter to pay.
- 7. As of March 24, 2017, Commission records indicate that Respondent has not complied with the collection letter or the requirements of the Penalty Order.
- 8. Staff asks that the Commission find Respondent failed to comply with the Commission's Penalty Order dated November 4, 2011.
- 9. Staff asks the Commission find that Respondent's failure to comply with the requirements of the Penalty Order poses a potential immediate threat to the safety and welfare of the public of the state of Kansas.
- 10. Based on the presented facts, Staff requests the Commission issue an order suspending Respondent's motor carrier operations in Kansas until such time as Respondent pays the penalty of \$2,400, at which time Staff will recommend the Commission enter an order of reinstatement of intrastate motor carrier operations.
- 11. Furthermore, Staff requests the Commission order Respondent to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, and for it to provide Transportation Staff with written proof of attendance.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order suspending Respondent's motor carrier operations in Kansas, and order Respondent to pay the penalty of \$2,400, and to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, and for it to provide Transportation Staff with written proof of attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

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For Commission Staff

### **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 Suspend Intrastate Motor Carrier Operations*, and attests that the statements therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Ahsan K. Latif, S. Ct. # 24709

Litigation Counsel

The State Corporation Commission

of the State of Kansas

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 24th day of March, 2017.

VICKI D. JACOBSEN

Notary Public - State of Kansas

My Appt. Expires Lo-30-18

Villi D. Jacohu 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 Suspend Intrastate Motor Carrier Operations was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017, to the following:

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