

Public Utilities Commission STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE

To: Swan Limousine & Charters LLC	File: <u>TCP-38726</u>
ATTN: Jordon Picard	Date: November 3, 2023
1041 Market Street #606	Citation #: <u>T.23-11-002</u>
San Diego, CA 92101	Case #: CSE-000002

VIOLATIONS

You are hereby cited with having violated section(s) 5414.5 of the Public Utilities Code (P.U. Code) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order (G.O.) as described below. These violations occurred on October 28, 2023.

- (1) Operated as a charter party carrier during a period of suspension in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5379 [1 counts],
- (2) Operated as a charter-party carrier without evidence of public liability and property damage (PLPD) insurance coverage in effect and on file with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code section 5391, 5381 and G.O. 115-F [1 counts],
- (3) Failed to report Public Utilities Commission Transportation Reimbursement Account (PUCTRA) fees in violation of Publ. Util. Code Section 5378(a)(9) [1 count],
- (4) Failed to maintain a current equipment list with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code section 5381, and G.O. 157-D, Part 4.01. [1 count].

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The above violations are documented in the attached Investigation Report, which consists of the carrier's records and substantiating documents obtained from other sources.

RESPONSE

TEB used the Penalty Assessment Methodology adopted in Resolution M-4846 and considered mitigating and exacerbating factors in setting the fine.

You are hereby called upon to answer this citation on or before November 23, 2023. By way of such answer, you may either:

- (1) Pay a fine of \$5,000 pursuant to P.U. Code Section 5378. (Submit your check or money order payable to California Public Utilities Commission using the attached *Citation Agreement*. Upon payment, the fine will be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the General Fund and the Commission staff will deem the matter closed, **or**
- (2) Contact the Supervisor below to make payment arrangements, or
- (3) Contest this Citation by filing an Appeal. See attached document "How to File an Appeal and Instructions for Filing a Notice of Appeal and Certificate of Service for a Citation Appeal."

If you fail to respond by November 23, 2023, you will be in default and will have forfeited your right to appeal the Citation. In addition, your operating authority will be immediately suspended and may be subsequently revoked pursuant to Resolution ALJ-187. The Commission may also act through a civil or criminal proceeding to recover any unpaid fine and ensure compliance with applicable statutes and Commission orders.

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Transportation Enforcement Branch

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INVESTIGATION REPORT

Case: CSE-000002

CARRIER: Swan Limousines and Charters LLC

OFFICERS: Jordon Picard, Owner

AUTHORITY: TCP- 38726 Suspended August 26, 2023

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

MAILING ADDRESS:

PHONE/EMAIL:

VEHICLES: 2 cars and 1 SUV

EMPLOYEE-DRIVERS: Roberto Carlos Soto Alberti

PL&PD Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company

INSURANCE: Policy Number:

Cancellation Date: 8/26/23

WORKERS' Berkshire Hathaway Insurance Company

COMPENSATION Policy Number:

INSURANCE: Effective Date: 01/02/2022

DRUG

CONSORTIUM: Affiliated Drug & Alcohol Testing (ADAT Inc.)

REVENUE:



INTRODUCTION

On October 30, 2023, I was assigned to investigate Swan Limousines & Charters LLC (hereinafter referred to as Swan Limousine) after his bus with license plate SWAN A1 was impounded by the San Diego Police Department for operating with a suspended authority from the Commission on October 28, 2023 [Attachment 1].

VIOLATIONS

The investigation for the date of October 28, 2023, disclosed violations of the following provisions of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and Commission General Orders (G.O.):

• Swan Limousine operated as a charter party carrier during a period of suspension in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5379 [1 counts].

On October 28, 2023, Swan Limousine's vehicle bearing CA license plate and vehicle identification number (VIN #) was observed operating at San Diego Gaslamp [Attachment 1]. I prepared an Observation Report and served a Cease and Desist Notice to employee driver Roberto Carlos Soto Alberti [Attachment 2]. Transportation Licensing and Analysis Branch (TLAB) records show that Swan Limousine's authority was suspended on August 26, 2023, for failure to maintain its Personal Liability & Property Damage (PLPD) insurance and failure to report Public Utilities Commission Transportation Reimbursement Account (PUCTRA) fees [Attachment 3].

• Swan Limousine operated as a charter-party carrier without evidence of public liability and property damage (PLPD) insurance coverage in effect and on file with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code sections 5391, 5381, and G.O. 115-F. [1 count]

TLAB records show that Swan Limousine's PLPD Insurance coverage with Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company, policy number , was canceled on August 26, 2023 [Attachment 4]. Swan Limousine was found operating at San Diego Gaslamp on October 28, 2023, without PLPD insurance coverage [Attachment 1].

• Swan Limousine failed to report Public Utilities Commission Transportation Reimbursement Account (PUCTRA) fees in violation of Publ. Util. Code Section 5378(a)(9) [1 count].

TLAB records show Swan Limousine was suspended for failing to pay the PUCTRA fee for the second quarter 2023. A notice of suspension was mailed to Swan Limousine on October 23, 2023 [Attachment 5]. To date, Swan Limousine has not paid the PUCTRA fee for the second quarter of 2023.

• Swan Limousine Failed to maintain a current equipment list with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code section 5381, and G.O. 157-D, Part 4.01. [1 count]

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DECLARATION

I have read the foregoing and know the contents thereof and I declare that the foregoing is true and correct, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

Executed on November 3, 2023, in San Francisco, California.

<u>Shírley Leí</u> Shirley Lei, TEB Enforcement Analyst

List of Attachments

Attachment 1	San Diego PD Impound Document and Pictures
Attachment 2	Cease & Desist Notice and Observation Report
Attachment 3	Suspension Notices for the PUCTRA fee and PLPD Insurance
Attachment 4	Swan Limousine's PLPD Cancellation Record
Attachment 5	Swan Limousine Suspension Notice for PUCTRA fee
Attachment 6	Swan Limousine's Equipment List with the Commission

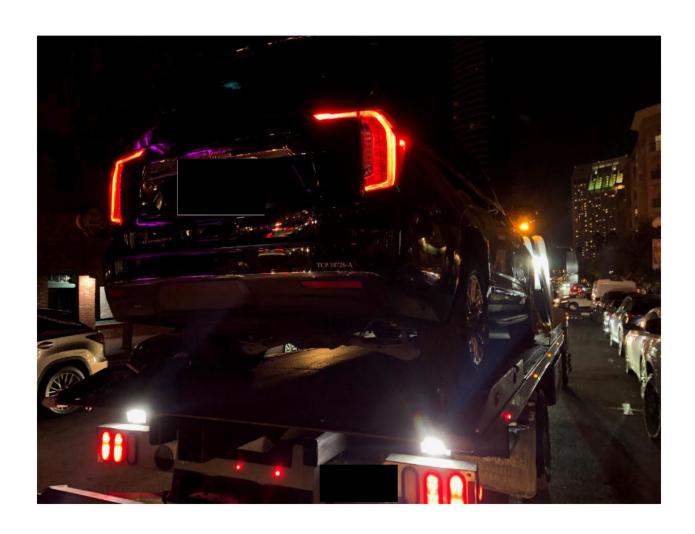
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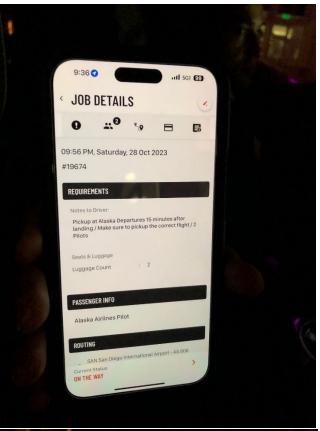


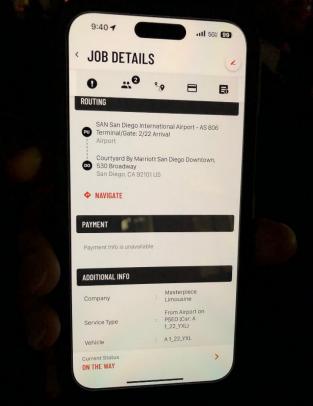
Public Utilities Commission		
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Request to Impound		
Request to impound		
Indicate seating capacity of vehicle (including driver): 8		
Indicate number of passengers (including driver):		
One of the following is required:		
No TCP permit or certificate issued TCP/PSC: 38726 (circle one) suspended revoked, expired, or denied. Driver does not possess a valid and current CDL for vehicle operated license class, endorsement,		
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Name of PUC Enforcement Analyst requesting impound: Steve Esquerra Steve Esquerra On the properties of the properties		
(Not required if due to driver not having valid license, endorsement, or certification for vehicle being operated)		
Charge one of the following:		
 CPUC 5411/1037 ref CPUC 5371/1031 - Misdemeanor/Unlawful to operate without proper PUC operating authority. 		
CPUC 5411/1037 ref CPUC 5379/1045 - Misdemeanor/Unlawful to operate with suspended revoked, or expired authority.		
In body of citation indicate: "Vehicle impounded per 14602.9 CVC."		
Name of person, who within 2 DAYS, notified the legal owner of the impound by certified mail:		
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Citing/Arresting Officer Name:		
Allied Agency Case Number: 23616897		
Date: 10-28-37		
Reason for stop and additional notes on back of this form. Attach this form to CHP 180		



CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION INSPECTION OBSERVATION REPORT Location: Subject Geography Session Subject Subj
Carrier: Swan Limertine & Clarker Carrier PSC/TCP# 38 726
DBA:Phone:
Address: 3430 Harock street City: San Diego Zip:
Prime carrier:Prime carrier PSC/TCP#:
Driver: Laberto Carlos Soto Alberti CDL# CDL Class: C.
Address:
Phone: Relationship with Carrier: □ Owner □ Employee □ Sub-carrier □ Other Years w/company: □ Carrier has workers' compensation insurance.
License Plate #: Swan A1 vin #: Seats:
Registered Owner: Savan Limasime & Charter Modified Limo Limo Van Bus S
Address: Zip: Phone:
Violation(s):
Vehicle Markings TCP # not shown on □ front bumper / □ rear bumper □ PSC/TCP # not on side of vehicle * □ Carrier's name not on side of vehicle * *exempt for vehicles < 15 passengers incl. driver or leased < 30 days
Waybill: ☐ No waybill ☐ Incomplete waybill (List missing items in comments)
Other: Vehicle not listed with PUC
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	The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has determined that you are operating without valid	100 March 1980
	YOUR COMPANY MUST IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND DESIST FROM ANY AND ALL	
	OPERATIONS, INCLUDING ADVERTISING, UNTIL YOU MEET ALL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND RECEIVE VALID OPERATING AUTHORITY FROM THE CPUC.	
	ANY OPERATIONS, INCLUDING ADVERTISING, WHILE OPERATING IN A SUSPENDED, CANCELLED, REVOKED, OR DENIED STATE IS UNLAWFUL.	
	This letter places your company on notice that any <u>activity</u> without the required permit or certificate is a	
	violation and may result in civil or criminal prosecutions, possible fines, and possible termination of	
	telephone service. To acknowledge receipt of this notice, please call 800-894-9444 within 5 business days of receipt.	
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505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3298



DBA: PSG0038726

ATTN:SWAN LIMOUSINES & CHARTERS LLC 1041 MARKET STREET #606 SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA 92101

TCP CLASS A CERTIFICATE

CPUC Order of Suspension

This is notice from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that the operating authority listed on this letter is suspended effective **August 26, 2023**.

Failure to maintain PLPD insurance

Unless the suspension was requested voluntarily, if the reason(s) for the suspension are not resolved within 90 days, on **November 24, 2023**, the operating authority will be revoked. Voluntary suspensions may stay in effect without becoming revoked until the operating authority expires.

After the cancellation or revocation of a permit or certificate, or during the period of its suspension, or after the expiration of its permit or certificate, it is unlawful for a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC) or a Transportation Charter-Party carrier (TCP) of passengers to conduct any operations as a carrier. (California Public Utilities Code §§ 1045, 5379). Unlawful operations are subject to fines and penalties as set forth in the California Public Utilities Code and may include permanent revocation of your operating authority or being permanently barred from receiving an operating authority.

A carrier whose certificate or permit is suspended due to failing to pass a vehicle inspection by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) (California Public Utilities Code § 5378.5, Commission Resolution TL-18336) may obtain a reinspection of its terminal and vehicles by the CHP by submitting a written request for reinstatement to CPUC and paying a reinstatement fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). (California Public Utilities Code § 5378.5(b)). Upon receipt of a written recommendation from CHP to suspend a carrier's operating authority, a carrier may request a hearing of the suspension by making a written request to CPUC and the CHP showing cause why the suspension should not be continued.

If your suspension is due to failing to maintain adequate insurance, you must contact your insurance provider to reinstate your policy on-file with the CPUC.

Date: Sep 25, 2023

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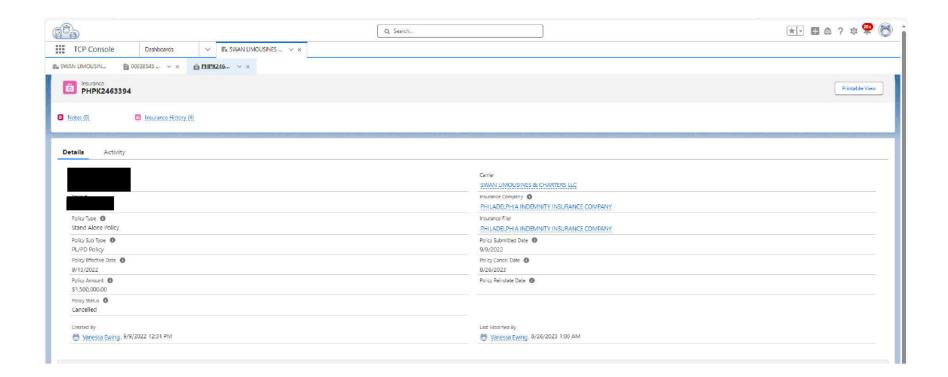
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