

#### Public Utilities Commission STATE OF CALIFORNIA

### CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE

To: Avalon Transportation LLC.

Attn: Virgin Fish, Inc.



File: TCP 16585-A

Citation#: T.2025-11-005 Date: November 14, 2025

Case #: CSE-518

#### **VIOLATIONS**

You are hereby cited with having violated sections of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and a California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order (G.O.) as described below. These violations occurred from May 14, 2025, through September 11, 2025.

- (1) Failed to maintain its Equipment Statement, in violation of G.O. 157-E, Part 4.01. [4 counts]
- (2) Failed to enroll drivers in the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Employer Pull Notice (EPN) Program in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5374(a)(1)(D), G.O. 157-E Part 5.02, and the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 1808.1. [3 counts]

#### **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 December 5, 2025. By way of such answer, you may either:

- (1) Pay a fine of \$6,000 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 December 5, 2025, 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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Eric Hooks, Program and Project Supervisor

Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division

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#### CITATION COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

File No.: TCP 16585-A Citation #: T.2025-11-005 Date: November 14, 2025

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I (we) hereby agree to comply with this citation dated November 14, 2025, and herewith pay the fine of \$6,000.

Avalon Transportation LLC.

Attn: Virgin Fish, Inc.



Payment (cashier check or money order) should be made payable to *California Public Utilities Commission* and sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission Attn: Fiscal Office 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Automatic credit and debit card payments are also available. To arrange for autopay, fill out the attached <u>CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD AUTHORIZATION form and email</u> to our Fiscal Office at <u>FiscalOffice-.TECitations@cpuc.ca.gov.</u>

#### INVESTIGATION REPORT

**CARRIER:** Avalon Transportation LLC

(California Secretary of State Entity# 200308510013) - Active

Case: CSE-000518

**MEMBER:** Virgin Fish, Inc., Managing Member

**AUTHORITY:** TCP 16585-A

**PHYSICAL ADDRESS:** 

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 

**PHONE/EMAIL:** 

**EMPLOYEE-DRIVERS:** 

PL&PD

**INSURANCE:** 

Policy Number: Effective Date:

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**COMPENSATION INSURANCE:** 

Policy Number: Effective Date: /

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**CONSORTIUM:** 

#### **INTRODUCTION**

On May 14, 2025, I was assigned to investigate the operations and practices of Avalon Transportation LLC (hereinafter referred to as Avalon Trans). During the Stagecoach Joint Operation with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) on April 24, 2025, Avalon Trans' vehicles were observed operating without being listed on its equipment list. Furthermore, employee driver was found not registered in Avalon Trans' California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Employer Pull Notice Program (EPN) [Attachment 1].

#### **VIOLATIONS**

The investigation from May 14, 2025, to September 11, 2025, disclosed violations of the following provisions of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and the Commission General Order (G.O.):

• Failed to maintain its Equipment Statement, in violation of G.O. 157-E, Part 4.01 [4 counts].

A review of Avalon Trans' waybills revealed that the buses (license plates ) operated as shuttle vehicles, transporting event participants to and from the Stagecoach Music Festival in the surrounding area between April 24 and April 28, 2025 [Attachment 2]. I confirmed in the Transportation Licensing and Analysis Branch's (TLAB) database (TCP portal) that all buses were not listed in Avalon Trans' equipment list between April 24 and April 28, 2025 [Table 1, Attachment 3].

**Table 1 – Vehicle/Equipment List** 

Vehicle License Plate	TCP Portal Status	Dates Operated
	Not added	4/24/2025 — 4/28/2025
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	Added after Stagecoach Operation on 8/15/25	4/24/2025 — 4/28/2025

Failed to enroll three (3) drivers in the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
 Employer Pull Notice (EPN) Program in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section
 5374(a)(1)(D), G.O. 157-E Part 5.02, and the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section
 1808.1 [3 counts]

On September 11, 2025, I looked up Avalon Trans' DMV Requester Code and confirmed that employee drivers operated during the Stagecoach Music Festival without being enrolled in its EPN program between April 24 to April 28, 2025. [Table 2, Attachment 4].

Table 2 – EPN Status, April 24 – April 28, 2025

Name & Driver's License	Trip Dates	EPN Status
	4/24 - 4/28/2025	Not Listed
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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 to be true.

Executed on November 14, 2025, in San Francisco, California.
Mingfeng Li
Mingfeng Li, TEB Enforcement Analyst

#### **List of Attachments**

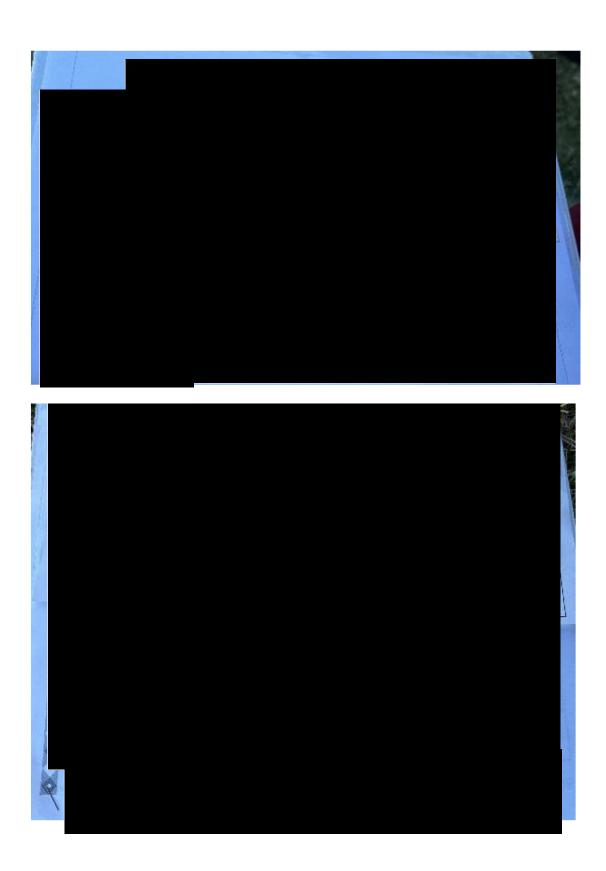
**Attachment 1** –04-24-25 Operation Documents

**Attachment 2** – Waybills

**Attachment 3** – TCP Portal Equipment List

**Attachment 4** – EPN Drivers List

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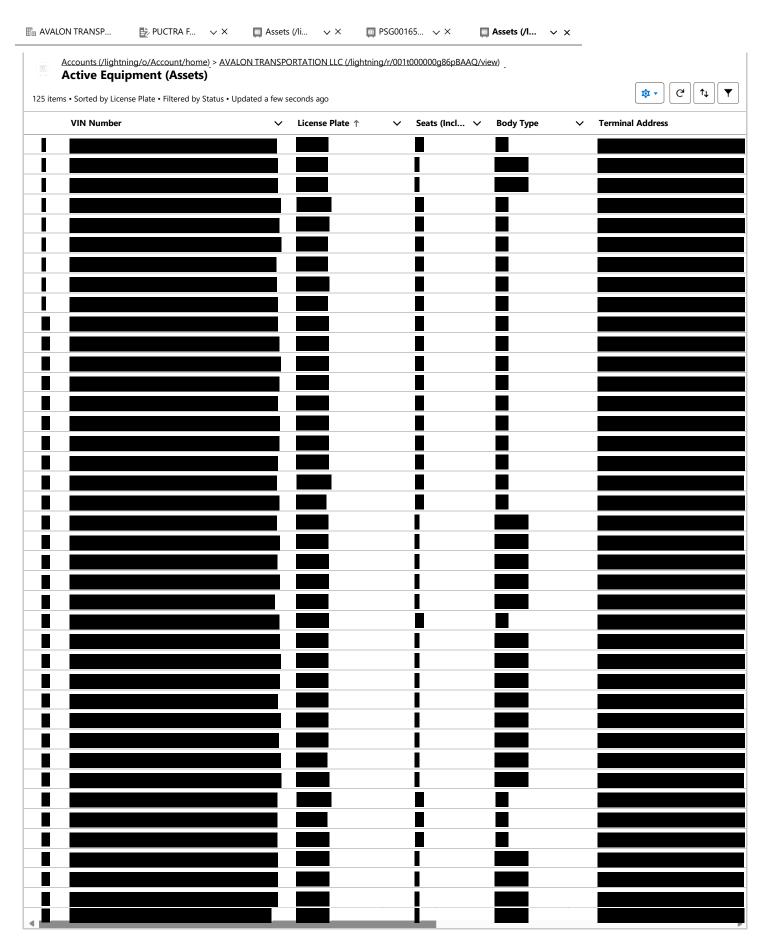
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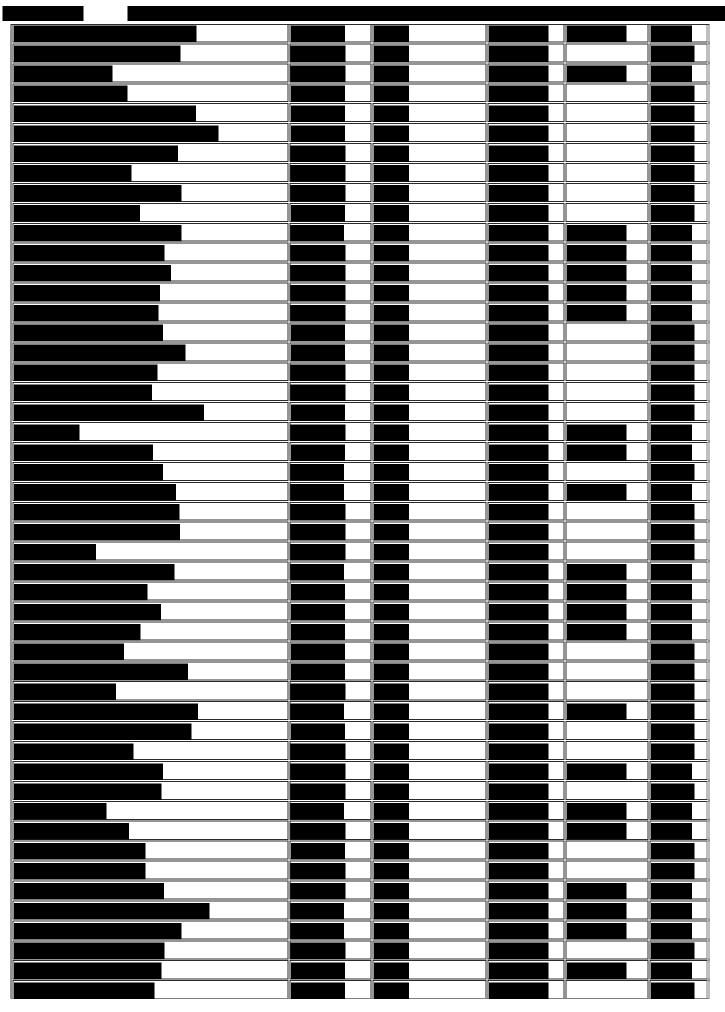
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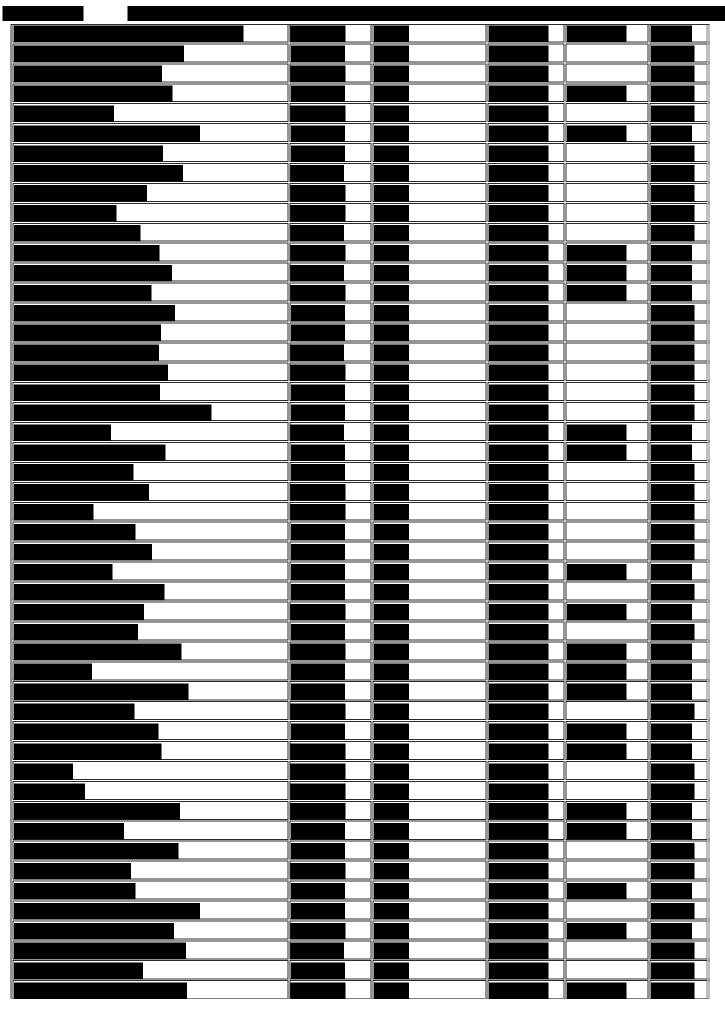
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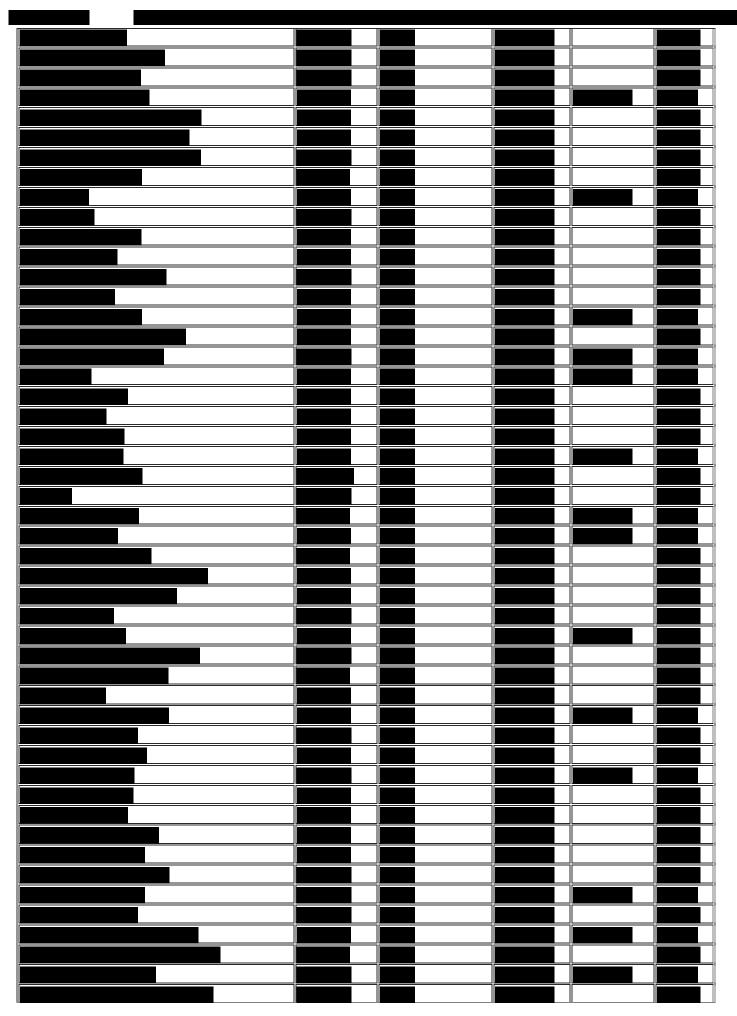
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