Decision No. R14-1124-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14F-0784TO

CHARLES SNYDER,

COMPLAINANT,

V.

RANDY'S HIGH COUNTRY TOWING, INC.,

RESPONDENT.

INTERIM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE PAUL C. GOMEZ ORDERING THE FILING OF ANSWER TO FORMAL COMPLAINT

Mailed Date: September 15, 2014

I. STATEMENT

- 1. The captioned proceeding was initiated on July 16, 2014, when Charles Snyder (Complainant) filed a Formal Complaint (Complaint) against Randy's High Country Towing, Inc. (Respondent).
- 2. On July 23, 2014, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued an order to Respondent to answer or satisfy the Complaint. At the same time, the Commission scheduled the matter for an evidentiary hearing for October 1, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.
- 3. On July 30, 2014, the Commission referred this matter to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for disposition. The matter was originally assigned to ALJ Mirbaba. The matter was subsequently assigned to the undersigned ALJ.

- 4. As indicated above, the Commission issued Respondent an Order to Satisfy and Answer on July 23, 2014. Respondent was ordered to file an Answer or to satisfy the Complaint no later than August 12, 2014. As of the date of this Decision, Respondent has not submitted an Answer or satisfied the Complaint. The Order to Satisfy or Answer states that should Respondent fail to respond, "the allegations of the Complaint may be deemed admitted and the Commission may grant so much of the relief sought in the complaint as is within its power and jurisdiction or may set the complaint for hearing."
- 5. Respondent is hereby ordered to file an Answer to the Complaint within five business days of the effective date of this Decision. Should Respondent fail to file an Answer to the Complaint, the allegations of the Complaint may be deemed admitted and a default judgment may be entered in favor of Complainant.
- 6. As a result of this Decision, the hearing originally scheduled for October 1, 2014 will be vacated. A new hearing date will be established pending Respondent's compliance with this Decision.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. Respondent, Randy's High Country Towing, Inc. shall file an Answer to the Complaint or satisfy the Complaint no later than five business days after the effective date of this Decision or by September 22, 2014.
- 2. The hearing in this proceeding originally scheduled for October 1, 2014 is vacated.

3. This Decision shall be effective immediately.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean, Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PAUL C. GOMEZ

Administrative Law Judge