

Decision No. R22-0629-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 22G-0257EC

COLORADO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION,

COMPLAINANT,

V.

STYLE CAR SERVICE LLC,

RESPONDENT.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
G. HARRIS ADAMS
DENYING MOTION TO VACATE
AND RESCHEDULE HEARING**

Mailed Date: October 19, 2022

I. STATEMENT

1. This proceeding concerns Civil Penalty Assessment Notice No. 129862 issued by Commission Staff on May 31, 2022 to Respondent Style Car Services, LLC (Style Car).

2. By Decision No. R22-0526-I, issued September 7, 2022, procedures were adopted to govern this proceeding and a hearing was scheduled to commence in this matter on November 2, 2022.

3. On October 7, 2022, Style Car filed its Motion to Vacate and Reschedule Hearing. Counsel for Respondent has lost all contact with Respondent's representative responsible for this matter. Style Car now seeks to vacate the hearing, stating that it has not had sufficient communication with its counsel to prepare for the hearing. It is argued that a continuance is

needed in hopes that communication can be restored, and adequate representation may be provided. Style Car also states and that due to the nature of this proceeding, it must have legal representation. If counsel were to withdraw, he is concerned that additional time may be necessary Style Car were to obtain new counsel.

4. On October 13, 2022, Staff filed its Response in Objection to Respondent's Motion to Vacate and Reschedule Hearing. In its response, Staff objects to the granting of Style Car's motion, stating that Style Car has not shown good cause for vacating the hearing set for November 2, 2022. Rescheduling the hearing would unnecessarily delay progress in this proceeding. All parties conferred and agreed to the above date for the hearing. Finally, Style Car still has sufficient time to find replacement counsel, should it be necessary.

5. On October 17, 2022, an Entry of Appearance and Notice of Substitution of Counsel was filed.

6. After considering Style Car's motion and Staff's response, it is found that Style Car has not shown good cause to continue and reschedule the hearing. Vacating the hearing would not assure restored communication between Style Car and counsel and vacating the hearing would deny Staff the opportunity to efficiently move the proceeding forward.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Motion to Vacate and Reschedule Hearing filed by Style Car Services, LLC is denied.

2. This Decision is effective immediately.

(S E A L)

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO



G. HARRIS ADAMS

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director