

Public Utilities Commission STATE OF CALIFORNIA

## CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE

To: Action Whitewater Adventures California Inc. Attn: Michael Juarez and Eli Ollison File: TCP 32860 (Revoked) Date: August 14, 2024 Citation #: T.24-08-003 Case #: CSE-000217

Lotus, CA 95651

## **VIOLATIONS**

You are hereby cited for violating sections 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 July 27, 2024.

(1) Operated as a charter-party carrier after revocation of authority in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5379 [1 counts].

## **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The above violations are documented in the attached Investigation Report, which consists of 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 September 5, 2024. By way of such answer, you may either:

- (1) Pay a fine of \$2,000.00 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 September 5, 2024, 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.

Rahmon Momoh

Rahmon Momoh, Program and Project Supervisor Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division Transportation Enforcement Branch Telephone number (415) 816-5754 E-mail address <u>Rahmon.Momoh@cpuc.ca.gov</u>

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### CITATION COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

I (we) hereby agree to comply with this citation dated August 14, 2024, and herewith pay the fine of \$2,000.

Action Whitewater Adventures California Inc. Michael Juarez and Eli Ollison, Owner Lotus, CA

(Signature) (Title)

(Date)

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 auto-pay, 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>.

TEB Enforcement Analyst: Shirley Lei

Case: CSE-<u>217</u>

## **INVESTIGATION REPORT**

CARRIER:	Action	n Whitewater Adven	tures California Inc.		
	CA Se	ecretary of State: 354	40069 (Active)		
OFFICERS:	Mich	ae Juarez, Owner			
	Eli O	llison, Owner			
AUTHORITY:	ТСР	32860 (Revoked)			
MAILING ADDRESS:					
PHONE/EMAIL:					
VEHICLES:	0 vehi	cles			
EMPLOYEE-DRIVERS:	1				
PL&PD INSURANCE:	Policy	d Financial Casualty / #: tive Date: 6/27/24	Company		
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DRUG					
CONSORTIUM:	Trust	Team Drug Consulta	ant		
<b>REVENUE:</b>	Year	Rev	venue		
	2021	NA			
	2022	NA			
	2023	NA			

### **INTRODUCTION**

On August 1, 2024, I was assigned to investigate Action Whitewater Adventures California Inc. (hereinafter referred to as Action Whitewater) because it was observed operating with a revoked authority during the Transportation Enforcement Branch (TEB) and California Highway Patrol Joint operation in Placerville on July 27, 2024 [Attachment 1].

### VIOLATIONS

I investigated Action Whitewater on July 27, 2024, and found violations of the following provisions of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and Commission General Orders (G.O.):

• Operated as a charter-party carrier after revocation of authority, violating Pub. Util. Code Section 5379. [1 Counts]

Transportation Licensing and Analysis Branch (TLAB) record shows Action Whitewater (TCP 32860) was revoked on March 16, 2022 [Attachment 2]. During the TEB and CHP joint operation in Placerville on July 27, 2024, TEB Enforcement Analysts observed Action Whitewater operating with a vehicle with license plate **Exercise**. TEB Enforcement Analyst, Mary Sekyi-Appiah, served a Cease-and-Desist Notice to Action Whitewater for operating with a revoked authority on the same day [Attachment 3].

#### DECLARATION

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

Executed on August 14, 2024, in San Francisco, California

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

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## **ATTACHMENT 1**

## TCP-32860 (REVOKED) – ACTION WHITEWATER ADVENTURE CALIFORNIA INC





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## **ATTACHMENT 2**



## NOTICE TO CEASE AND DESIST

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The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has determined that you are operating without valid authority.

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.

### OPERATION WITHOUT AUTHORITY

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Public Utilities Code Sections 5371 and 5387\_(TCP)/Section 1031 (PSC) - Circle One

## OPERATION AFTER: <u>SUSPENSION/REVOCATION/EXPIRATION/DENIAL</u> OF AUTHORITY

Public Utilities Code Section 5379 (TCP)/Section 1045 (PSC) - Circle One

#### □ ADVERTISMENT WITHOUT AUTHORITY

Public Utilities Code Section 5414.5 (TCP)/ Section 1037 (PSC).- Circle One

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\*\*\*\*\*IF DRIVER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE, DRIVER IS TO GIVE NOTICE TO RESPONSIBLE OWNER\*\*\*\*\*

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Revoked Permit COMMENTS:

See attached Inspection Observation Report Form for more detail.

Enforcement Analyst Signature

## **ATTACHMENT 3**

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