BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

----- In the Matter of -----)

ROBERT GASTON SMETS, dba WOLF TOURS and FIVE DIAMOND) LIMOUSINE SERVICE

Notice of Failure to Comply With Hawaii Revised Statutes and Commission's Regulations Order to Show Cause Why Respondent's Operating Authority Should Not Be Suspended or Revoked.

DOCKET NO. 03-0326

ORDER NO. 20527

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Chief Clerk of the Commission

ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI

Chief Clerk, Public Utilities

Commission, State of Hawaii.

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION, ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE, AND NOTICE OF HEARING

ROBERT GASTON SMETS, dba WOLF TOURS and FIVE DIAMOND LIMOUSINE SERVICE ("Respondent") is the holder of a motor carrier certificate, issued pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 271-12. Under certificate of public convenience and necessity ("CPCN") No. 5661-C, Respondent is authorized to transport passengers by motor vehicle on the island of Hawaii.

HRS § 271-25 and Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") § 6-62-42(a) require Respondent to file an annual financial report ("AFR"). HRS § 271-36 and HAR § 6-62-24(a) require Respondent to pay an annual motor carrier gross revenue fee ("Fee"). Respondent filed an AFR and paid the Fee for 2002, but after the April 30, 2003 deadline had passed. Pursuant to HRS § 271-27(i) and HAR §§ 6-62-24(b), 6-62-24(c), and 6-62-42(d), the commission assessed penalties and interest of \$250.00 for

Respondent's untimely AFR filing and Fee payment. Respondent has not complied with the commission's request for payment.

HRS § 271-19 authorizes the commission, after notice and hearing, to suspend or revoke any CPCN, in part or in whole, if the commission finds the holder violated any provision of HRS chapter 271. Accordingly, the commission may suspend or revoke Respondent's CPCN for failure to comply with the legal requirements set forth above, unless Respondent is able to show why such suspension or revocation should not occur.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 1. Respondent shall appear at 465 South King Street, Room B3, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, at 9:00 a.m., on November 26, 2003 to show cause why Respondent's CPCN should not be suspended or revoked for failure to comply with the legal requirements set forth in this order.
- 2. Respondent may be represented by counsel. If Respondent does not retain counsel, Respondent may be represented at the hearing as follows: (a) an individual may appear on his or her own behalf; (b) a partner may represent a partnership; and (c) an officer or authorized employee of a corporation, trust, or association may represent the corporation, trust, or association.
- 3. If Respondent fails to appear at the scheduled hearing, Respondent's CPCN shall be revoked.

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DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 27^{th} day of October, 2003.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Catherine P. Awakuni Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 20527 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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Karen Higashi

DATED: October 27, 2003