



Public Utilities Commission  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CITATION FOR VIOLATION  
OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE

To: Datta Transport Systems LLC

ATTN TO: Supriyo Datta

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

File: TCP 16948

Date: January 20, 2023

Citation #: T.23-01-002

Case #: PSG 5807

VIOLATIONS

You are hereby cited with having violated section(s) of the Public Utilities Code (P.U. Code) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order (G.O.) as described below.

These violations occurred during the period from July 31, 2022 through November 1, 2022.

- (1) Operated as a charter party carrier during a period of suspension in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5379 [1 count].**
- (2) Failed to provide access to records in violation of Pub. Util. Code Sections 5389 and 5413 and G.O. 157-E Part 6.02 [1 count].**

## 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 February 9, 2023. By way of such answer, you may either:

- (1) Pay a fine of \$4,000 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 February 9, 2023, 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*

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*Rahmon Momoh*  
Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division  
Transportation Enforcement Branch  
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CITATION COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

I (we) hereby agree to comply with this citation dated January 20, 2023 and herewith pay the fine of \$4,000.

Datta Transport Systems LLC



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(Signature) (Title)

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(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

**INVESTIGATION REPORT**

**CARRIER:** Datta Transport Systems LLC

**OFFICERS:** Supriyo Datta, Owner

**AUTHORITY:** PSG 16948 (Active)

**MAILING  
ADDRESS:**

[REDACTED]

**PHONE/EMAIL:**

[REDACTED]

**VEHICLES:** 6

**EMPLOYEE-  
DRIVERS:** 4

**PL&PD  
INSURANCE:**

[REDACTED]

**WORKERS'  
COMPENSATION  
INSURANCE:** N/A

**DRUG  
CONSORTIUM:**

[REDACTED]

## INTRODUCTION

On October 18, 2022, I was assigned to investigate Datta Transport Systems LLC (hereinafter referred to as Datta) because of a consumer complaint alleging that the carrier charged the complainant for a ride that was not received with a revoked authority.

## VIOLATIONS

I investigated Datta Transport Systems LLC for the period of July 31, 2022 through November 1, 2022 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 during a period of suspension in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5379 [1 count].**

On July 31, 2022 the CPUC's Transportation Licensing and Analysis Branch (TLAB) suspended Datta (TCP 16948) for failure to maintain adequate workers compensation insurance [Attachment 1]. Since Datta did not upload their workers compensation insurance by deadline of October 29, 2022, Datta's TCP permit was revoked on the same day [Attachment 2]. Consumer Dan Riley, as charged \$166 for a ride from Vista California to San Diego Airport scheduled for August 14, 2022; however, Datta did not show up to provide such service [Attachment 3]. I communicated with Dan Riley via email [REDACTED] and confirmed that Datta promised to refund the \$166 and would also cover Dan Riley's airport parking (\$357) for having to drive his own car to San Diego Airport. I called Datta at [REDACTED] to discuss their permit status on October 26 2022 but had to leave a voicemail. On November 4, 2022 I sent a Cease and Desist (C&D) [Attachment 4] letter to the email on file, [REDACTED], as well as the mailing address via United States Postal Service for operating with a revoked permit.

- **Failed to provide access to records in violation of Pub. Util. Code Sections 5389 and 5413 and G.O. 157-E Part 6.02 [1 count].**

On November 8, 2022, I received a call from Datta employee Kriss at [REDACTED] and discussed Datta's permit status. Kriss provided me his email address [REDACTED] and I emailed a copy of the C&D and data request [Attachment 5] with a deadline of November 15, 2022 to provide documents. To date, Datta has not provided any records.

## 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 January 20, 2023  
at San Francisco, California.

*Destiny Graham*

Destiny Graham  
Enforcement Analyst

## **INDEX OF ATTACHMENTS**

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**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94102-3298



DBA: EZ RIDE

PSG0016948

ATTN:DATTA TRANSPORT SYSTEMS LLC

**TCP P PERMIT****CPUC Order of Suspension**

This is notice from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that the operating authority listed on this letter is suspended effective **July 31, 2022**.

**Failure to Maintain Workers Comp. Insr. Coverage**

Unless the suspension was requested voluntarily, if the reason(s) for the suspension are not resolved within 90 days, on **October 29, 2022**, the operating authority will be revoked. Voluntary suspensions may stay in effect without becoming revoked until the operating authority expires.

After the cancellation or revocation of a permit or certificate, or during the period of its suspension, or after the expiration of its permit or certificate, it is unlawful for a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC) or a Transportation Charter-Party carrier (TCP) of passengers to conduct any operations as a carrier. (California Public Utilities Code §§ 1045, 5379). Unlawful operations are subject to fines and penalties as set forth in the California Public Utilities Code and may include permanent revocation of your operating authority or being permanently barred from receiving an operating authority.

A carrier whose certificate or permit is suspended due to failing to pass a vehicle inspection by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) (California Public Utilities Code § 5378.5, Commission Resolution TL-18336) may obtain a reinspection of its terminal and vehicles by the CHP by submitting a written request for reinstatement to CPUC and paying a reinstatement fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). (California Public Utilities Code § 5378.5(b)). Upon receipt of a written recommendation from CHP to suspend a carrier's operating authority, a carrier may request a hearing of the suspension by making a written request to CPUC and the CHP showing cause why the suspension should not be continued.

If your suspension is due to failing to maintain adequate insurance, you must contact your insurance provider to reinstate your policy on-file with the CPUC.

Date: Jul 31, 2022

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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DBA: EZ RIDE

PSG0016948

ATTN:DATTA TRANSPORT SYSTEMS LLC

**PSC CERTIFICATE****Order of Revocation**

This is notice from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that the operating authority listed on this letter is revoked effective **October 29, 2022**.

**Failure to Maintain Workers Comp. Insr. Coverage**

After the cancellation or revocation of a permit or certificate, or during the period of its suspension, or after the expiration of its permit or certificate, it is unlawful for a Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC) or a Transportation Charter-Party carrier (TCP) of passengers to conduct any operations as a carrier. (California Public Utilities Code §§ 1045, 5379). Unlawful operations are subject to fines and penalties as set forth in the California Public Utilities Code and may include permanent revocation of your operating authority or being permanently barred from receiving an operating authority.

There is a ninety (90) day period in which a revoked carrier may apply to reinstate the revoked operating authority unless it was permanently revoked.

Date: Oct 29, 2022

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licensing@cpuc.ca.gov

Reservation No: #689

### Billing Information

Name: Dan Riley  
Email: [REDACTED]  
Phone No: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
City: [REDACTED]  
State/Province: California  
Other State/Province: CA  
Zip/Postal Code: 92084  
Country: United States  
Payment Option: Credit Card Payment  
Transaction ID: [REDACTED]

Trip Type: Round Trip (To Airport)

### Departure Information

Departure Date: 08/14/2022

Flight Time: 05:15 PM

### Pick Up Time and Location

Pick Up Time: 01:00 PM

Pick Up Location: [REDACTED]

Street Address: [REDACTED]

Hotel Name (If applicable):

### Trip Information

Number of Passengers: 2

Passenger Full Name: [REDACTED]

Passenger Phone #: [REDACTED]

Exclusive Services : no

Comments :

### Arrival Information

Arrival Date: 08/30/2022

Arrival Time: 08:15 PM

Airline / Cruise Ship / Amtrack: Delta Air Lines

Flight Number: [REDACTED]

### Drop Off Location

Drop Off Location: [REDACTED]

Street Address: [REDACTED]

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 Van Ness Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94102



November 4, 2022

TCP: PSC-16948 (Revoked)  
Case No.: PSG-5807

Datta Transport Systems LLC  
Supriyo Datta, Owner

**NOTICE TO CEASE AND DESIST**

Dear Supriyo Datta:

On July 31, 2022, your Passenger Stage Corporation (PSC) operating authority was suspended for failure to maintain adequate workers compensation insurance. It was subsequently revoked on October 29, 2022. Public Utilities Code (P.U. Code) Section 1045 states that during the period of its suspension, it is unlawful for a passenger stage corporation to conduct any operations as a carrier.

**Datta Transport Systems LLC MUST IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND DESIST FROM ANY AND ALL UNLAWFUL OPERATIONS, INCLUDING ADVERTISING. THIS INCLUDES ALL SUB CARRIERS USING YOUR PSC AUTHORITY. ANY CARRIER WHICH OPERATES WITHOUT AUTHORITY IS GUILTY OF A MISDEAMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY, IF A PERSON, A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BY IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL NOT TO EXCEED SIX MONTHS, OR BY BOTH (P.U. CODE SECTIONS 1037 & 5411).**

This letter places your firm on notice that continued violations of law without the required permit may result in criminal prosecutions and possible termination of telephone service. There will be no further warnings.

You may contact me at (628) 217-1952 if you have questions about this notice.

Sincerely,

Destiny Graham, Analyst  
California Public Utilities Commission  
Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division  
Transportation Enforcement Branch  
Email: [destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov)  
Telephone: (628) 217-1952

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 Van Ness Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94102

November 1, 2022

TCP: PSC-16948 (Revoked)  
Case No.: PSG-5807

Supriyo Datta

Subject: Data Request

Dear Supriyo Datta:

**Re: Data Request No. 1****Due Date: November 15, 2022**

The California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division (CPED) Transportation Enforcement Branch (TEB) is currently reviewing the Commission's records for intrastate transportation carriers that are regulated by the Commission.

Public Utilities Code Section 5389 authorizes the Commission and its staff to have access at any time to the land, buildings, or equipment of a charter-party carrier of passengers used in connection with the operation of its business and may inspect the accounts, books, papers, and documents of the carrier.

General Order 157-E, Part 6.01 specifically states in part that every carrier shall institute and maintain in its offices a set of records which reflect information as to the transportation services performed, including waybills, driver records, and safety and maintenance records including copies of all lease and sub-carrier agreements. Such records shall be maintained for a minimum period of three years.

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 5389, the Commission is requesting a review of the Charter-Party intrastate transportation records for Datta Transport Systems LLC doing business as (dba) EZ Ride. Failure to provide access to records is a misdemeanor punishable by a maximum of \$5,000, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, or by both fine and imprisonment, where each violation is a separate and distinct offense (Public Utilities Code Section 2110).

We are requesting that you present your documents listed below in electronic form. Please scan the following documents and email a copy to Destiny Graham at [destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov) by November 15, 2022

1. Customer/Passenger Counts/Logs, Charter-Party Reservations, Waybills, Trip Tickets, and/or Daily Passenger Manifests for all runs from July 31, 2022 through November 1, 2022.
2. Your current public liability and property damage insurance policy showing schedule of vehicles and drivers insured,
3. Your current workers' compensation insurance policy,
4. List of all current sub-carriers and agreements,
5. Other Fictitious Business Names (FBN) doing business as (dba),
6. All pre-employment and random drug test results for all your drivers within the last six (6) months

CPED reserves the right to amend, add to or revise this Data Request in the future if necessary. Any responsive records provided by you that have been properly labeled and submitted as confidential will be treated as such, under Public Utilities Code Section 583 (see also General Order 66-D). Confidential documents will not be released to the public except as required by law following a Public Records Request and redaction of confidential material.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (628) 217-1952 or e-mail [destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:destiny.graham@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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cc: Rahmon Momoh Program & Project Supervisor