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# BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF UTAH

UTAH INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,

STIPULATION AND ORDER

Complainant,

VS.

Docket No. 2016-040 PC Enforcement Case No. 3754

LANDCAR AGENCY d/b/a TOTAL CARE AUTO 9350 South 150 East, Suite 990 Sandy, UT 84070

Judge Gregory Soderberg Administrative Law Judge

Respondent.

License # 102662

The Utah Insurance Department ("Department"), by and through its attorney, Perri Ann Babalis, Assistant Attorney General, and Landcar Agency d/b/a Total Care Auto ("Respondent"), a resident producer organization, hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

### **STIPULATION**

- Respondent, Landcar Agency d/b/a Total Care Auto, is a resident producer organization, holding license number 102662. Respondent's mailing address is 9350 South 150 East, suite 990, Sandy, Utah 84070.
- 2. The Department has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter of this Stipulation.
- 3. Respondent acknowledges notice of agency action pursuant to Utah Code § 63G-4-201; acknowledges that this Stipulation and Order is an informal proceeding pursuant to Utah Code Section 63G-4-202; and irrevocably waives the right to any hearing, review or appeal concerning this matter.
- 4. Respondent is represented by legal counsel with regards to this Stipulation, or has waived the right to review this Stipulation with counsel.
- 5. This signed Stipulation, along with any Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, shall not be subject to any reconsideration, renegotiation, modification, hearing or agency review or appeal.
- 6. The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law presented below are accepted by the parties.
- 7. The issuance of the signed and adopted Order proposed below is solely for the purpose of disposing of the specific matter entitled herein.
  - 8. The only promises, agreements and understandings that the parties have regarding

this matter are contained in this Stipulation.

- Respondent enters into this Stipulation voluntarily, knowingly, and free from any coercion of any kind.
- 10. The person signing this Stipulation on behalf of the named party hereby affirms that he is authorized to sign and bind the party.

Dated this 15 day of April , 2016,

ROBERT ENGER on behalf of

LANDCAR AGENCY dba TOTAL CARE AUTO

Dated this 26 day of April . 2016.

PERRI ANN BABALIS

Utah Assistant Attorney General for the

Utah Insurance Department

Based upon the foregoing Stipulation and Department file, the Presiding Officer makes the following Findings of Fact:

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. On May 12, 2015, H.B. 24 (2015 General Session) went into effect and required Vehicle Protection Product Warranties (VPP) to be a regulated product by the Utah Insurance Department. H.B. 24 made significant changes to Utah Code Ann. §§ 31A-6a-103 and 104.
  - 2. On September 30, 2015, 4 ½ months after H.B. 24 went into effect, Respondent

submitted its filing for VPP to the Department. The filing was denied on October 1, 2015, due to noncompliant language.

- 3. On October 1, 2015, Respondent met with the Department to resolve the issue and become compliant with Utah law.
- 4. From May 12, 2015 to October 1, 2015, Respondent was out of compliance with regards to over 15,000 etch/VTR contracts or VPP.

Based upon the foregoing Stipulation and Findings of Fact, the Presiding Officer enters the following Conclusions of Law:

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Utah Code Ann § 31A-6a-103 states that a vehicle protection product warranty may not be issued, sold or offered for sale unless the provider registers with the Department.

  Registration includes providing the Department with a copy of the vehicle protection product warranty 30 days prior to use.
- 2. Utah Code Ann § 31A-6a-104(2)(b) provides that a vehicle protection product warrant must include statements in substantially the following form:
- "Coverage afforded under this contract is not guaranteed by the Property and Casualty Guaranty Association."
- Respondent violated the above referenced statutes when it failed to include proper disclosures in its contracts
  - 4. The proposed administrative forfeiture is appropriate under the circumstances.

    Based upon the foregoing Stipulation, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the

Presiding Officer herewith enters the following Order:

#### ORDER

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Respondent, Landcar Agency d/b/a Total Care Auto, is assessed a forfeiture in the amount of \$10,000.00. The forfeiture shall be paid to the Department within 30 days of the date of this Order.

DATED this 26th day of April , 2016.

TODD E. KISER
Insurance Commissioner

GREGORY SODERBERG
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## NOTIFICATION TO RESPONDENT

You are hereby notified that a failure to obey an Order of the Commissioner may subject you to further penalties, including forfeitures of up to \$5,000 per violation and the suspension or revocation of your license and the filing of an action in district court, which may impose forfeitures of up to \$10,000 per day for continued violation.

You are further notified that other jurisdictions in which you may be licensed may require that you report this action to them.