MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOUISIANA MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION MOTOR VEHICLE SALES FINANCE DIVISION

3017 Kingman Street Metairie, Louisiana 70006 Friday, May 9, 2025 1:00 P.M. via ZOOM Video

Executive Director Casey called to order for a special meeting at 1:00 p.m. on behalf of Chairman Greg A. Lala.

Present were:

Commissioner Alexis D. Hocevar Commissioner V. Price LeBlanc, Jr. Commissioner Allen G. Waddell Commissioner Keith D. Rutherford Commissioner Donna S. Corley Commissioner Michelle Hargroder Commissioner Laurie M. McCants Commissioner Allen O. Krake Commissioner Otis W. Favre, Jr. Commissioner Scott A. Courville Commissioner Maurice C. Guidry Commissioner Geoffery S. Hebert

Amy Casey, Executive Director Adrian F. LaPeyronnie, III, Counselor Gregory F. Reggie, Counselor

Absent were:

Chairman Greg A. Lala Commissioner Lloyd L. Vaughn Commissioner Eric R. Lane Commissioner

Also, in attendance were Commission staff: Lessie House, Consultant; Ingya Cattle, Assistant Executive Director; Neil Rogers, Commission Investigator; and Brandy DeLucca, License Analyst.

Executive Director Casey advised the Commission Members that House Bill 476, by Representative Fontenot, provides relative to an annual automatic adjustment to a fee cap for motor vehicle dealers based on the Consumer Price Index. She was made aware that the Bill was amended to have the Commission calculate the fee. Executive Director Casey reported, further, that she spoke with Coulter McMahen, President and CEO of the Louisiana Automobile Dealer Association and expressed her concerns on a conflict of interest if the Commission were the agency to calculate the fee and also the one to regulate it. She further explained to Mr. McMahen that the Commission does not oppose the Bill but it would be more appropriate for another agency, such as Louisiana Treasury Department to do the fee calculation.

At this time Executive Director asked Counselor Reggie to provide for Commission Members a brief overview of House Bill 476. Counsel Reggie reported that House Bill 476 has been amended and passed the House and moved forward to the Senate. Counselor Reggie reported, further, that by calculating the fee that LMVC regulates it could put the Commission in a position of liability for self-dealing, like the North Carolina Dental Board being ruled to violate federal antitrust laws.

After a brief discussion, Counselor Reggie suggested that the Commission Members to call their Representatives and Senates to express their support with this Bill and/or concern with this Bill.

There being no further business, Commissioner Hocevar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 p.m. Commissioner Courville seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved.

Chairman Lafa

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