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To: Robert G. Rivera, Chairman

Cindy Fields, Commissioner Mark A. Franz, Commissioner Erik C. Saenz, Commissioner Jamey Steen, Commissioner

From: Bob Biard, General Counsel

Date: August 17, 2023

Re: Consideration of the Status and Possible Approval of Orders in Enforcement Cases

The Legal Services Division staff recommends that the Commission approve each of the proposed orders presented under this item.

Commission Order No. <u>23-0031</u>

LOTTERY RETAILER LICENSES

Date: AUGUST 17, 2023

IN THE MATTER OF 8 8 8 8 8 **BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF** THE REVOCATION OF CERTAIN

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

During an open meeting in Austin, Texas, the Texas Lottery Commission (Commission) heard the license revocation cases listed on Attachment A hereto, in which the Texas Lottery Ticket Sales Agent (Respondent) in each referenced case did not appear at the scheduled hearing before the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) to respond to the allegations set forth in the Commission's notice of hearing.

I. Findings of Fact

- 1. Timely and adequate notice of the hearings in the referenced cases before SOAH was provided to each Respondent, pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.051 and 2001.052, and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 155.401 and 155.501(b). Each notice of hearing included a disclosure in at least 12-point, bold-face type, that the factual allegations listed in the notice could be deemed admitted, and the relief sought in the notice of hearing might be granted by default against the party that fails to appear at hearing.
- 2. After timely and adequate notice was given in each case, each case was heard by a SOAH Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). In each case, the Respondent did not appear at the hearing.
- 3. The Commission, by and through its attorney of record, filed a motion in each case requesting the ALJ issue a conditional order of default dismissal and remand to the Commission for informal disposition, in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §2001.058(d-1) and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §155.501(d)-(e).

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4. The ALJ dismissed the referenced cases from the SOAH docket and remanded these cases to the Commission for informal disposition under Tex. Gov't Code §2001.056, provided the Respondent in each case did not file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days from the date of the ALJ's order remanding case to the Commission.

5. In each case, Respondent did not file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days from the date of the ALJ's order.

II. Conclusions of Law

- 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §466.155 (State Lottery Act) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 401 (Commission Rules).
- 2. The Respondent in each of the cases listed on Attachment A violated the State Lottery Act and the Commission's Rules as set forth in the Commission's notice of hearing applicable to such Respondent. Specifically, each Respondent failed to deposit money due to the State received from lottery ticket sales under the State Lottery Act, in violation of Tex. Gov't Code §466.351 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 401.351 and 401.352.
- 3. The relief sought by the Commission Staff is fair, reasonable, and adequately protects the public.

III. Order

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, after review and due consideration of the administrative record, each of the cases listed on Attachment A hereto, which is incorporated into this Order for all purposes, is hereby disposed by default, and:

All allegations set forth in each notice of hearing in the cases listed on Attachment
 A are deemed admitted; and

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2. The Texas Lottery Ticket Sales Agent License for each Respondent in the cases listed on Attachment A is hereby revoked.

Passed and approved at the regular meeting of the Texas Lottery Commission in Austin, Texas, on the 17^{TH} day of AUGUST 2023.

Entered this $\underline{17^{TH}}$ day of \underline{AUGUST} 2023.

ROBERT G. RIVERA, CHAIRMAN
CINDY FIELDS, COMMISSIONER
MARK A. FRANZ, COMMISSIONER
ERIK C. SAENZ, COMMISSIONER
JAMES H. C. STEEN, COMMISSIONER

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Date: <u>AUGUST 17, 2023</u>

ATTACHMENT A

TAB NO.	SOAH DOCKET NO.	TICKET SALES AGENT NAME	TICKET SALES AGENT ADDRESS	LOTTERY LICENSE NO.
A.	362-23-15803	La Mexicana Meat Market Denison LLC d/b/a La Mexicana Meat Market	2300 W. Morton St. #103 Denison, TX 75020	193085
В.	362-23-17423	Jordan 1 Inc. d/b/a Classic Mart & 420 Shop	5650 Grissom Rd. Apt. 1103 San Antonio, TX 78238	190357
C.	362-23-18502	Roman's Texaco Inc. d/b/a Roman's Texaco	13901 FM 624 Corpus Christi, TX 78410	133471
D.	362-23-20183	Ghazala Holdings LLC d/b/a Quick Stuff	6211 Hazel Valley Dr. San Antonio, TX 78242	189379
E.	362-23-20184	Tyks Investments 2 LLC d/b/a Tyks Investments 2 LLC	414 Broadway St. Maud, TX 75567	193191
F.	362-23-20560	Ruiz Food Mart LLC d/b/a Ruiz Food Mart	1054 Ruiz St. San Antonio, TX 78207	191076

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION,
PETITIONER

V.
LA MEXICANA MEAT MARKET DENISON LLC D/B/A
LA MEXICANA MEAT MARKET,
RESPONDENT

DEFAULT DISMISSAL ORDER

On May 11, 2023, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this case via Zoom videoconference. Attorney Tyler Vance appeared on behalf of the staff (Staff) of the Texas Lottery Commission (Commission). La Mexicana Meat Market Denison LLC d/b/a La Mexicana Meat Market (Respondent) did not appear and was not represented at the hearing. Staff Exhibits 1-3 were admitted. Collectively, these exhibits showed proof of adequate notice to Respondent.¹ Upon establishing adequate notice, Staff

¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b).

moved for a default dismissal. Staff's motion was GRANTED and the factual

allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the documents incorporated

within that notice are deemed admitted.2

Respondent may file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days of

the date of this order.3 The motion must show good cause for resetting a hearing

or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent

does not file a timely motion, or if the ALJ finds that a filed motion should be

denied, the contested case will be remanded to the Commission for informal

disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative Procedure

Act.4

Signed June 1, 2023.

ALJ Signature:

Pratibha J. Shenoy

Presiding Administrative Law Judge

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1).

³ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e).

⁴ Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056.

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SOAH Docket No. 362-23-17423

BEFORE THE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
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TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION,
PETITIONER
V.
JORDAN 1 INC DBA CLASSIC MART AND 420 SHOP,
RESPONDENT

DEFAULT DISMISSAL ORDER

On June 1, 2023, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Staff was represented by Tyler Vance, and Respondent did not appear—either personally or through counsel. Staff Exhibits 1-3 were admitted and demonstrated adequate notice to Respondent. Staff thereafter moved for a default dismissal. That motion is GRANTED, and the factual allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the incorporated documents are deemed admitted.

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1).

¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b).

Respondent may file a motion to set aside this default within 15 days of the date of this order.³ Such motion must demonstrate good cause for resetting a hearing or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent does not file a timely motion to set aside, or if the ALJ finds that the motion should be denied, this case will be remanded to the Commission for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.⁴

Signed JUNE 1, 2023

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Presiding Administrative Law Judge

³ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e).

⁴ Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056.

SOAH Docket No. 362-23-18502

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

HEARINGS

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TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION, PETITIONER V.

ROMAN'S TEXACO INC DBA ROMAN'S TEXACO, RESPONDENT

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR DEFAULT

On June 15, 2023, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Attorney Kyle Wolfe appeared for the staff (Staff) of the Texas Lottery Commission (Commission). Roman's Texas Inc dba Roman's Texaco (Respondent) did not appear and was not represented at the hearing. Staff Exhibits Exhibit 1, 2, and 3 were admitted showing proof of adequate notice to Respondent. Upon establishing adequate notice, Staff moved for a default dismissal. Staff's motion is **GRANTED**, and the factual allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the documents incorporated within that

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¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b), as amended effective November 29, 2020.

notice are deemed admitted.2

Respondent may file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days of the date of this order.³ The motion must show good cause for resetting a hearing or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent does not file a timely motion to set aside, or if the ALJ finds that a filed motion should be denied, the contested case will be remanded to the Commission for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative

Signed June 16, 2023.

Procedure Act.4

ALJ Signature(s):

Rebecca S Smith

Rebecca Smith,

Presiding Administrative Law Judge

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1), as amended effective November 29, 2020.

 $^3\,$ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e), as amended effective November 29, 2020.

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⁴ Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056.

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION,
PETITIONER

V.
GHAZALA HOLDINGS LLC DBA QUICK STUFF,
RESPONDENT

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR DEFAULT DISMISSAL

On July 20, 2023, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Attorney Tyler Vance appeared for the staff (Staff) of the Texas Lottery Commission (Commission). Ghazala Holdings LLC d/b/a Quick Stuff (Respondent) did not appear and was not represented at the hearing. Staff Exhibits 1-3 were admitted showing proof of adequate notice to Respondent. Upon establishing adequate notice, Staff moved for a default dismissal. Staff's motion is **GRANTED**, and the factual allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the documents incorporated within that

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¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b).

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Respondent may file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days of the date of this order.³ The motion must show good cause for resetting a hearing or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent does not file a timely motion to set aside, or if the ALJ finds that a filed motion should be denied, the contested case will be remanded to the Commission for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.⁴

Signed July 20, 2023.

ALJ Signature:

Linda J. Burgess,

Presiding Administrative Law Judge

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1).

³ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e).

⁴ Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056.

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION, PETITIONER V. TYKS INVESTMENTS 2 LLC DBA TYKS INVESTMENTS 2 LLC, RESPONDENT

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR DEFAULT DISMISSAL

On July 20, 2023, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Attorney Tyler Vance appeared for the staff (Staff) of the Texas Lottery Commission (Commission). Tyks Investments 2 LLC d/b/a Tyks Investments 2 LLC (Respondent) did not appear and was not represented at the hearing. Staff Exhibits 1-3 were admitted showing proof of adequate notice to Respondent. Upon establishing adequate notice, Staff moved for a default dismissal. Staff's motion is **GRANTED**, and the factual allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the documents incorporated

¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b).

within that notice are deemed admitted.2

Respondent may file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days of the date of this order.³ The motion must show good cause for resetting a hearing or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent does not file a timely motion to set aside, or if the ALJ finds that a filed motion should be denied, the contested case will be remanded to the Commission for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.⁴

Signed July 20, 2023.

ALJ Signature:

Linda J. Burgess,

Presiding Administrative Law Judge

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1).

³ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e).

⁴ Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056.

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION,
PETITIONER

V.
RUIZ FOOD MART LLC DBA RUIZ FOOD MART,
RESPONDENT

DEFAULT DISMISSAL ORDER

On July 13, 2023, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) convened a hearing on the merits in this matter via Zoom videoconference. Attorney Kyle Wolfe appeared on behalf of the staff (Staff) of the Texas Lottery Commission. Ruiz Food Mary LLC d/b/a Ruiz Food Mart (Respondent) did not appear and was not represented at the hearing. Staff Exhibits 1, 2, and 3 were admitted, and the ALJ took official notice of SOAH's file in this case, including specifically the Notice of Hearing which set the hearing by Zoom videoconference and provided instructions for participating in the hearing. Collectively, these exhibits and orders showed

proof of adequate notice to Respondent.¹ Upon establishing adequate notice, Staff moved for a default dismissal. Staff's motion was **GRANTED**, and the factual allegations detailed in the Notice of Hearing and the documents incorporated

within that notice are deemed admitted.2

Respondent may file a motion to set aside the default within 15 days of

the date of this order.3 The motion must show good cause for resetting a hearing

or show that the interests of justice require setting aside the default. If Respondent

does not file a timely motion, or if the ALJ finds that a filed motion should be

denied, the contested case will be remanded to the Board for informal disposition

on a default basis in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.⁴

Signed July 20, 2023

ALJ Signature:

Meaghan Bailey

Presiding Administrative Law Judge

¹ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(b).

² 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(d)(1).

³ 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.501(e).

⁴ Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.056, .058(d-1).

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