



OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE TRIALS AND HEARINGS
Hearings Division
Decision

LANCE CHEBIN - NACMIAS LAW FIRM
592 PACIFIC STREET
BROOKLYN, NY 11217

Summons# : 000864665K et al. (2 summonses)

DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,

-against-

HUGH O' KANE ELECTRIC CO. INC.

Hearing Date : 5/8/2025

Hearing Location : Remote

Type of Hearing : By Telephone

Total Penalty Amount : 950.00

Community Service(Hr): Not Applicable

SUMMONS #	SUMMARY DISPOSITION	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	PLACE OF OCCURRENCE
000864665K	Sustained	01/19/2024	ON GRAND STBETWEEN ORCHARD STREET &

LINE ITEM	OATH CODE	CODE SECTION / RULE	RESULT	PENALTY
1	BA51	24 -163	Sustained	350.00

Total Penalty for Summons: 350.00

SUMMONS #	SUMMARY DISPOSITION	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	PLACE OF OCCURRENCE
000864712Y	Sustained	01/10/2024	INTERSECTION OF WEST 45TH STREET & 5TH

LINE ITEM	OATH CODE	CODE SECTION / RULE	RESULT	PENALTY
1	BA1F	24 -163	Sustained	600.00

Total Penalty for Summons: 600.00

Findings of Facts & Conclusions of Law

The summonses are sustained.

The Respondent, HUGH O' KANE ELECTRIC CO. INC., appeared on two (2) summonses by its authorized representative, Lance Chebin, Nacmias Law Firm. The Petitioner, NYC DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, waived its appearance.

The summonses allege a violation of NYC Air Pollution Control Code Section 24-163, Idling of a Motor Vehicle engine over three (3) minutes.

Summons #000864665K

The Issuing Officer (IO) specifically alleges in the violation details of the sworn summons that a citizen-complainant observed Respondent's van with NY license plate on #51987MH was idling on January 19, 2024 at 11:01:19 AM on Grand Street between Orchard & Allen Streets in Manhattan. The summons is alleged as first offense.

Summons #000864712Y

The IO specially alleges in the violation details of the sworn summons that a citizen-complainant observed Respondent's truck with NY license plate on #52266MH was idling on January 10, 2024 at 2:28:41 PM at the Intersection Of W45th Street and 5th Avenue in Manhattan. The summons is alleged to be a third offense.

Respondent's representative stated that upon review of Petitioner's evidence received through discovery, Respondent denied the existence of the violating conditions but did not produce any evidence or assert any affirmative defenses to the charge in the summons. Respondent's representative did not challenge the existence of the prior violations.

I find on the Petitioner's credible case that the violating conditions described in the summonses existed. The standard penalty for a first offense is imposed for the violation ending in 65K and the penalty for a third offense is imposed for the violation ending in 12Y..

The summonses are sustained.

Jamin Sewell

05/08/2025

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Jamin Sewell, Hearing Officer

Date

**IF YOU ARE FOUND IN VIOLATION, AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE OR DO NOT CHOOSE
COMMUNITY SERVICE, YOU MUST PAY THE PENALTY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DECISION
DATE OR 35 DAYS IF MAILED.**

- To pay by mail, send a check or money order to the Dept. of Finance Commissioner, P.O. Box 2307, Peck Slip Station, New York, NY 10272. The check or money order should be made out to "Finance Commissioner, City of New York." Write the summons number on the check or money order.
- To pay in person, bring a check, money order or credit card and this decision to any OATH Hearings Division location between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- To pay online using a credit or debit card, go to www.nyc.gov/citypay/oath

If you do not pay the penalty, the City may: (1) file papers with the Civil Court ("docket a judgment"), (2) charge you a late fee, and (3) continue attempts to collect the debt.

**CAN I DO
COMMUNITY
SERVICE?**

If your summons is for the type of offense that gives you a Community Service option you can choose to complete Community Service instead of paying a penalty. Your decision will give you that option. You have to complete your Community Service by the deadline in the decision or else you will end up owing the penalty. You can even do your Community Service on the day you receive your decision.

**COMPLETION OF
COMMUNITY
SERVICE**

The Help Center will arrange for you to complete your Community Service. The Help Center is run by the Ombudsperson/*Pro Se* Clerk at OATH and is located at each Hearing Division in all five boroughs. To schedule your Community Service, call, email or visit a Help Center location.

How to Contact the Help Center to Schedule Community Service:

Manhattan: (212) 436-0845 CSmanhattan@oath.nyc.gov
Brooklyn: (718) 923-6216 CSbrooklyn@oath.nyc.gov
Queens: (718) 393-6044 CSqueens@oath.nyc.gov
Bronx: (718) 503-5565 CSbronx@oath.nyc.gov
Staten Island: (718) 876-2314 CSstateniland@oath.nyc.gov

If you complete your Community Service by the deadline in the decision, you will receive a Certificate of Completion and will not have to pay a penalty. If you need an extension to complete your Community Service, please contact the Help Center.

If you do not complete your Community Service by the deadline, you will have to pay the penalty.

**NON-DISCLOSURE
FOR SUMMONSES
ELIGIBLE FOR
COMMUNITY
SERVICE**

If you either completed the Community Service or paid the penalty, OATH will remove your identifying information from public records related to your case.

If you do not complete the Community Service or pay the penalty, your identifying information may remain on public records related to your case.

**IF YOU DISAGREE
WITH THE DECISION,
YOU MAY APPEAL IT**

To submit your appeal, you **MUST** use OATH's online or mail-in appeal forms available on OATH's website at www.nyc.gov/oath/appeal. Instructions for filing an appeal may be found on the form and OATH's website.

Your appeal **MUST** be received by the OATH Hearings Division **within 30 days** of the decision date, or 35 days if the decision was mailed to you.

To appeal you **may need to** pay the full penalty stated in this decision.

- If you cannot pay because of financial hardship, you may ask to not pre-pay by submitting with your appeal a Financial Hardship Application, available on OATH's website.
- If you are eligible and choose to perform Community Service instead of paying the penalty, you do not have to pay the penalty or complete the Community Service to appeal.

**APPEAL BY
ENFORCEMENT
AGENCY**

If you wish to answer an appeal filed by an enforcement agency, you **MUST** use OATH's Response To Appeal form. Instructions for filing an answer may be found on the form and OATH's website.

Your answer must be received **within 30 days** of the date of the enforcement agency's appeal, or 35 days if it was mailed to you.

If the enforcement agency wins the appeal, you may have to pay a penalty or, if eligible, complete Community Service even if your case was originally dismissed after the hearing.

For more information,
visit OATH's website www.nyc.gov/oath
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