### IN THE ILLINOIS INDEPENDENT TAX TRIBUNAL

SKYLINE CORNER MART INC )		
Petitioner	)	
V.	)	DECEIVED
CONSTANCE BEARD in his official capacity as	)	JUL 2 7 2015
DIRECTOR OF THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT	)	Вү:
OF REVENUE, and the ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT	)	18 11 150
OF REVENUE,	)	
Defendants.		

#### **PETITION**

Petitioner, Skyline Corner Mart INC ("Petitioner") by and through its attorney, Mansoor Ansari, complains of the Defendants, the Illinois Department of Revenue ("Department") and Constance Beard, Director of the Department ("Director Beard"), and alleges as follows:

- 1. Petitioner is an Illinois Corporation located at 170 Lake Marian Road, Carpentersville, IL, 60110, and can be reached at 847-844-1790.
- 2. Petitioner is represented by Mansoor Ansari located at 500 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 600, Chicago, Illinois, 60611, who can be reached at 312-265-5626 or ma@myillinoistaxattorney.com.
- 3. Petitioner's Illinois business tax number is 4066-4619.
- 4. Petitioner was formed a Corporation on January 17, 2012, to operate a gas station and convenience store.
- 5. The Department is an agency of the Executive Department of the State Government and is tasked with the enforcement and administration of Illinois tax laws. 20 ILCS5/5-15.
- 6. Director Beard is the current Director of the Department.
- 7. Director Beard is lawfully appointed by the Governor of the State of Illinois to execute the powers and discharge the duties vested by law in the director of the Department. 20 ILCS 5/5-20.

**NOTICES** 

- 8. On June 9, 2015, the Defendants issued a Notices of Tax Liability ("Notices") totaling tax, penalties and interest of \$249,963.47 for the periods through 02/2012 03/2015. True and accurate copies of the Notices are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 9. On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the Defendants filed a statutory notice providing the Petitioner 60 days to file a Complaint with the Illinois Tax Tribunal.

### **JURISDICTION**

- 10. Petitioner brings this action pursuant to the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal Act ("Tribunal Act"), 35 ILCS 1010/1-1 to 35 ILCS 1010/1-100.
- 11. The Tribunal has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 1-15, 1-45, and 1-50 of the Tribunal Act because Petitioner timely filed a protest with the Department's Office of Administrative hearings within 60 days of the Notices and elected to transfer the case to the Tribunal before February 1, 2014.

### **BACKGROUND**

- 12. Petitioner was created to operate a gas station and convenience retail store.
- 13. The Department audited the Petitioner's books and records for the Periods at Issue.
- 14. In addition to performing an audit of the Petitioner's sales, the Department's auditor also utilized a sample period and extrapolated those figures to the entire audit period.
- 15. The Department made several adjustments to Petitioner's sales and us tax returns that resulted in the assessed liability at issue.
- 16. The months of 2/2012, 3/2012, and 4/2012, US Oil did not issue the state required PST-1's for gasoline delivered to 170 Lake Marian Road, Carpentersville, IL.
- 17. US Oil charged 0.0624 per cent sales tax on the gross wholesale price of each gross invoice amount.
- 18. The total amount collected of \$47,301.01 for the five month period described above.
- 19. The Department has levied burdensome penalties on the client's business as a result of the underreporting.

### COUNT 1 - No account of taxes paid.

- 20. Petitioner alleges that the sampling method cannot be used to extrapolate sales.
- 21. That the prepaid sales tax has not been applied to the audit figures.

### COUNT 2 - Penalties

- 22. Petitioner alleges that the penalties are must not be applied.
- 23. Petitioner, relying on Illinois law and regulations, exercised ordinary business care and prudence when it reasonably determined that it did not owe Illinois sales tax on the full amount of assessment.
- 24. The Department's determination that Petitioner owes penalties on late payment of tax is not supported by fact or law.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays that the Tribunal enter an order that:

- a) Finds and declares that all penalties and taxes should be fully relieved;
- b) Enjoins the Department from taking any action to assess, lien, levy, offset, or in any other way prosecute and collect the amount of penalties on the notices; and
- c) Grants such further relief as the Tribunal deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

SKYLINE CORNER MART INC

Petitioner

One of Petitioner's Attorneys

### VERIFICATION

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in the foregoing Petition are true, occurrete and correct.

Thomas Kaczmarek

Executive Skyline Corner Mart INC

847-844-1790

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This day of July, 2015

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# Taxpayer Statement

EXHIBIT A



Account 10: 4066-4619

June 9, 2015

TDD 1 800 544-5304



Letter ID: CNXXX177286376X8

Account ID:

4066-4619

Total amount due: \$249,936.47

#BWNKMGV #CNXX X177 2863 76X8# SKYLINE CORNER MART INC 170 LAKE MARIAN RD CARPENTERSVLE IL 60110-1969

This statement lists our most recent information about your unpaid balance, available credits, or returns you have not filed. A payment voucher is included so you may pay the balance due.

### Sales/Use Tax & E911 Surcharge

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Period	Tax	Penalty	Interest	Other	Payments/Credits	Balance
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31-May-2012	6,343.00	861,16	373.72	-	•	7 <b>,5</b> 77.88
30-Jun-2012	7,068.00	948.16	399.22	-	-	8,415.38
31-Jul-2012	9,633.00	1,255.96	<b>5</b> 19.97	-	-	11,408.93
31-Aug-2012	11,475.00	1,477.00	589.72 .	-	•	13,541.72
30-Sep-2012	9,976.00	1,297.12	487.08	-	-	11,760.20
31-Oct-2012	9,125.00	1,195.00	423.75	•	· -	10,743.75
31-Dec-2013	101,990.00	79,354,49	4,709.32	-	(3,218,88)	182,834.93
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30-Nov-2014	4,050.00	58.11	1.49	-	(3,979.12)	130,48
31-Dec-2014	3,885.00	62.12	2.27	-	(3,817.72)	131.67
31-Jan-2015	3,043.00	36.97	1.90	-	(3,042.85)	39.02
28-Feb-2015	3,316.00	28.39	0.91	-	(3,316.34)	28.96
31-Mar-2015	- 3,770.00	8.12	0.08	-	(3,763.16)	15.04

SOA

Retain this portion for your records.

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Taxpayer Statement (R-1208)

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Letter ID: CNXXX177286376X8 SKYLINE CORNER MART INC

Mail this voucher and your payment to: ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE PO BOX 19006

SPRINGFIELD IL 62794-9006

Total amount due: \$249,936.47

Write the amount you are paying below.

Write your Account ID on your check.

\$177,781,93 is subject to protest. Do not pay any Income Tax liability that you intend to protest.

# Collection Action

# Notice of Intent



#BWNKMGV #CNXX XX47 1698 1924# SKYLINE CORNER MART INC 170 LAKE MARIAN RD CARPENTERSVLE IL 60110-1969 June 6, 2015
Letter ID: CNXXXX4716981924

Taxpayer ID:

45-4295993

### We intend to file a lien against your property unless you pay us.

We have not received your required payments. You must pay the amount due as shown on the following pages immediately or we intend to file a lien against your property. This lien will be filed without further notice to you.

If your account is with an outside collection agency, additional fees may be due and owing. Please contact the number below for complete payoff information.

If you are currently on a pay plan, we may still file a lien. To avoid a lien being filed, the balance must be paid in full.

The following pages detail the items that need your immediate attention.

A lien is public record of your debt to us and can negatively affect your credit rating. Generally, a lien is filed with the county clerk in the county where you reside or from which your business operates. You will not be able to sell or transfer property until the lien is paid, including the lien filing and release fees and charges.

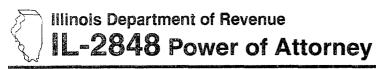
If you have any questions about this notice, please contact us immediately at the address and phone number listed below.

DISTRICT 4
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
200 SOUTH WYMAN STREET
ROCKFORD IL 61101

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## Read this information first

Attach a copy of this form to each specific tax return or item of correspondence for which you are requesting power of attorney. Do not send this form separately.

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