ILLINOIS INDENDENT TAX TRIBUNAL CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

EPIC AIR INC.,)	ER STORES AND ENGLISH A COMMISS
Petitioner,)	JUN 1 2 2018
v.) No.	6Y:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,)))	187768
Defendant	,)	

PETITION

Epic Air Inc. ("Petitioner"), by and through its attorneys, The Law Office of James E. Dickett, Ltd., complains of the Defendant, the Illinois Department of Revenue ("Department"), and alleges as follows:

PARTIES

- 1. Petitioner is an Illinois corporation located at 1675 North Lancaster Road, South Elgin, Illinois, 60177, and can be reached at 630-397-9955.
- 2. Petitioner is represented by The Law Office of James E. Dickett, Ltd. attorney James E. Dickett, located at 600 Hillgrove Avenue, Suite 1, Western Springs, Illinois, 60558 and can be reached at 708-784-3200 or jdickett@aol.com.
 - 3. Petitioner's Taxpayer (Account) ID is 4051-4471.
- 4. 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 ILCS 5/5-15.

NOTICE

5. On May 29, 2018, the Department issued a Notice of Tax Liability letter ("Notice") to the Petitioner for a sales/use tax audit for the tax periods July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016. The Notice reflects \$77,085 in tax due, \$7,802 in interest due, and zero penalties. The Notice is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

JURISDICTION

- 6. 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.
- 7. This Tribunal has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 1-45 and 1-50 of the Tribunal Act because Petitioner timely filed this Petition within 60 days of the Notice.

BACKGROUND

- 8. Petitioner is located in the far west suburbs and operates an indoor trampoline park.
 - 9. The Department audited Petitioner from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016.
- 10. The audit liability contained in the Notice is overstated because it improperly contains tax-exempt trampoline receipts offered to customers via both party packages and also on Friday nights whereby customers can bounce all night long and also get a "free" slice of pizza.

COUNT I

Defendant's audit methodology overstates Petitioner's liability.

11. Petitioner realleges and incorporates by reference the allegation made in paragraphs 1 through 10, inclusive, hereinabove.

- 12. On audit, the Department calculated the audit liability by improperly including tax-exempt trampoline receipts during the audit tax periods.
- 13. By applying this audit methodology, the Department unreasonably inflated Petitioner's audit liability.

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

- (a) enters judgment in favor or Petitioner and cancels a portion of the Notice;
- (b) enjoins the Department from taking any action to assess, lien, levy, offset, or any other way prosecute and collect the amount due on the Notice;
- (c) grants such further relief as the Tribunal deems appropriate.

Thank you for considering this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

Epic Air Inc., Petitioner

Date:

James E. Dickett 600 Hillgrove Avenue, Suite 1 Western Springs, IL 60558 708-784-3200 (fax 3201) Email: jdickett@aol.com

Notice of Tax Liability





#BWNKMGV #CNXX XXX2 7689 1365# EPIC AIR LLC 1675 N LANCASTER RD SOUTH ELGIN IL 60177-2703 May 29, 2018

Letter ID: CNXXXXX276891365

Account ID:

4051-4471

Reporting period:

June 30, 2016

We have audited your Sales/Use Tax & E911 Surcharge account for the reporting periods July 01, 2014, through June 30, 2016, and the liability has been processed on Form EDA-105-R, ROT and E911 Surcharge Audit Report. As a result, we have assessed the amounts shown below.

If you agree, pay the assessment total as soon as possible to minimize additional penalty and interest. Mail a copy of this notice and your payment with the voucher on the enclosed Taxpayer Statement. By including a copy of this notice, your payment will be properly applied to the audit liability.

If you do not agree, you may protest this notice within specific time periods. See the "Protest Rights" section on the following page of this notice for additional information and instructions.

If you do not protest this notice or pay the assessment total in full, we may take collection action against you for the balance due, which may include levy of your wages and bank accounts, filing of a tax lien, or other action to satisfy your liability.

Note: If you are under bankruptcy protection, see the "Bankruptcy Information" section on the following pages of this notice for additional information and instructions.

	Liability	Payments/Credit	Unpaid Balance
Tax	77,085.00	0.00	77,085.00
Interest	7,801.80	0.00	7,801.80
Assessment Total	\$84,886.80	\$0.00	\$84,886.80

If you have questions, write or call us weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Our contact information is listed below.

AUDIT BUREAU
TECHNICAL REVIEW SECTION
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
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