



Public Utilities Commission

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE

To: Armat Holdings Inc
Attn: Artak Sargsyan and Narine Ishkanyan
[REDACTED]

File: TCP 43670-P (Revoked)
Citation #: T.2025-10-011
Date: October 17, 2025
Case #: CSE-000520

VIOLATIONS

You are hereby cited with having violated sections of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and California Public Commission General Order (G.O.) as described below. These violations occurred for the period between January 15, 2025, and October 6, 2025.

- (1) Engaged employee-drivers without evidence of Workers' Compensation (WKCP) insurance in effect and on file with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5378.1 **[1 count]**;
- (2) Failed to maintain and enroll drivers in the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) Employer Pull Notice (EPN) Program in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5374(a)(1)(D), G.O. 157-E, Part 5.02, and the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 1808.1 **[2 counts]**;
- (3) Failed to enroll drivers in a mandatory Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing (CSAT) Certification Program for Pre-Employment Testing in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5374(a)(1)(I) and G.O. 157-E, Part 10 **[3 counts]**; and
- (4) Failed to maintain a current equipment list with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code Sections 5381 and 5411 and G.O. 157-E, Part 4.01 **[1 count]**.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The above violations are documented in the attached Investigation Report, which consists of the carrier's records and substantiating documents obtained from other sources.

RESPONSE

TEB used the Penalty Assessment Methodology adopted in Resolution M-4846 and considered mitigating and exacerbating factors in setting the fine.

You are hereby called upon to answer this citation on or before November 7, 2025. By way of such an answer, you may either:

- (1) Pay a fine of \$7,000 pursuant to Pub. Util. P.U. Code Section 5378. Submit your check or money order payable to CPUC using the attached *Citation Agreement*. Upon payment, the fine will be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the General Fund, and the Commission staff will deem the matter closed, **or**
- (2) Contact the Supervisor below to make payment arrangements, **or**
- (3) Contest this Citation by filing an Appeal. See attached document "*How to File an Appeal and Instructions for Filing a Notice of Appeal and Certificate of Service for a Citation Appeal.*"

If you fail to respond by November 7, 2025, you will be in default and will have forfeited your right to appeal the Citation. In addition, your operating authority will be immediately suspended and may be subsequently revoked pursuant to Resolution ALJ-187. The Commission may also act through a civil or criminal proceeding to recover any unpaid fine and ensure compliance with applicable statutes and Commission orders.



Eric Hooks
Program and Project Supervisor
Transportation Enforcement Branch
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Attachments



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CITATION COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

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I (we) hereby agree to comply with this citation dated October 17, 2025, and herewith pay the fine of \$7,000.

Armat Holdings Inc

Attn: Artak Sargsyan and Narine Ishkanyan



(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)

Payment (cashier's check or money order) should be made payable to *California Public Utilities Commission* and sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission
Attn: Fiscal Office
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

INVESTIGATION REPORT

CARRIER: Armat Holdings Inc
A California Corporation 5600490 (Terminated)

OFFICERS: Artak Sargsyan, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary
Narine Ishkhanyan, Chief Financial Officer

AUTHORITY: TCP 43670-P (Revoked)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

PHONE / EMAIL: [REDACTED] / [REDACTED]

VEHICLES: None

DRIVERS: None

PL&PD INSURANCE: New York Marine and General Insurance Company
Policy Number: [REDACTED]
Cancellation Date: May 8, 2025

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: None

DRUG CONSORTIUM: Test on Time
Cancellation Date: April 11, 2025

INTRODUCTION

On May 14, 2025, I was assigned to investigate Armat Holdings Inc (hereinafter referred to as Armat Holdings) because the Transportation Enforcement Branch (TEB) received a complaint from the Transportation Licensing and Analysis Branch (TLAB) that Armat Holdings refused to renew their Control Substances and Alcohol Testing Certification Program [**Attachment 1**].

VIOLATIONS

My investigation from January 15, 2025, to October 6, 2025, disclosed violations of the following provisions of the Public Utilities (Pub. Util.) Code and Commission General Order (G.O.):

- **Engaged employee-drivers without evidence of Workers' Compensation (WKCP) insurance in effect and on file with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5378.1. [1 count]**

My review of Armat Holdings's Transportation Charter-Party Carrier (TCP) permit shows that Armat Holdings never held a WKCP Insurance Policy. On September 8, 2025, I emailed a data request to Uber Technologies, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as Uber), at [REDACTED], and received waybills from April 11, 2025, to May 8, 2025 [**Attachment 2**]. My review of these waybills revealed that Armat Holdings's employee-drivers, [REDACTED], drove for Armat Holdings between April 11, 2025, and May 2, 2025, without evidence of WKCP insurance in effect and on file with the Commission. **See Table 1.**

- **Failed to maintain and enroll drivers in the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) Employer Pull Notice (EPN) Program in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5374(a)(1)(D), G.O. 157-E, Part 5.02, and the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 1808.1. [2 counts]**

On July 15, 2025, I looked up Armat Holding's DMV EPN requester code, [REDACTED], and I confirmed that [REDACTED] were never enrolled in Armat Holdings's DMV EPN program [Attachment 3]. See Table 1.

- **Failed to enroll drivers in a mandatory Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Certification Program for Pre-Employment Testing in violation of Pub. Util. Code Section 5374(a)(1)(I) and G.O. 157-E, Part 10. [3 counts]**

On July 21, 2025, Armat Holdings officer Artak Sargsyan emailed me from [REDACTED], affirming that Armat Holdings had "not contracted with any other drug testing consortium" since April 11, 2025 [Attachment 4]. My review of Uber's waybills revealed that Armat Holdings [REDACTED] also operated using Armat Holdings's Uber account between April 11, 2025, and May 2, 2025. Since April 11, 2025, none of Armat Holdings's drivers had been enrolled in a Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing Certification Program. See Table 1.

- **Failed to maintain a current equipment list with the Commission in violation of Pub. Util. Code Sections 5381 and 5411 and G.O. 157-E, Part 4.01. [1 count]**

My review of Uber's waybills revealed that [REDACTED] operated a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] between April 11, 2025, and April 23, 2025. On October 6, 2025, using the TLAB database, I confirmed that the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was not on Armat Holdings's equipment list. See Table 1.

Table 1: Trips completed by Armat Holdings from 4/11/25 to 5/2/25

Driver's Name	License Plate	Trip Dates	EPN	CSAT	WKCP
██████████	██████	██████████ ██████████ ██████████	No	No	No
██████████	██████	██████████ ██████████	Yes	No	N/A ¹
██████████	██████	██████████	No	No	No

¹ From January 15, 2025, to July 16, 2025, ██████████ had been an officer of Armat Holdings.

DECLARATION

I have read the foregoing and know the contents thereof and I declare that the foregoing is true and correct, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe to be true.

Executed on October 17, 2025, in Los Angeles, California.

Evan Schwartz

Evan Schwartz, TEB Enforcement Analyst

List of Attachments

- Attachment 1. TLAB Complaint [REDACTED] (5/8/25)
- Attachment 2. Data Request and Response from Uber (9/8/25, 9/18/25)
- Attachment 3. DMV EPN Driver List (7/8/25)
- Attachment 4. Email Correspondence with Armat Holdings (7/21/25)

Attachment 1
TLAB Complaint [REDACTED] (5/8/25)

California Public Utilities Commission
Transportation Informal Complaint Tracking System
Printed as of 09-MAY-2025 14:15:48

[REDACTED]

Transfer Date.....

COMPLAINANT:

MTR/PSG/CA#..
DBA..... TLAB
Name..... TLAB
Address.....
City/St/Zip..
Phone.....
Email.....

DEFENDANT:

MTR/PSG/CA#..
DBA..... ARMAT HOLDINGS INC
Name..... ARMAT HOLDINGS INC
Address..... [REDACTED]
City/ST/Zip..
Phone..... [REDACTED]

COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION:

Falsified carrier application

DISPOSITION DESCRIPTION:

Referred to enforcement

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, April 11, 2025 10:36 AM
To: Armat Holding: [REDACTED]; Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Armat Holdings, Inc - [REDACTED]

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Hello,
Armat Holdings, Inc - [REDACTED] refused to renew their drug & alcohol testing program. This carrier is no longer enrolled in the drug & alcohol testing program to meet the requirements of Chapter 405, statutes of 1995 (SB 46) and the subsequent regulations adopted by the California Public Utilities Commission (Public Utilities Code §§ 5374 & 1032.1).

We would like to withdraw our list of services and remove TEST ON TIME from their

[REDACTED]

We also request that you terminate the following drivers as they are no longer enrolled in the drug & alcohol testing program.

[REDACTED] refused to take a random test - terminated
[REDACTED] terminated
[REDACTED] terminated
[REDACTED] terminated

This company is no longer participating in the drug & alcohol testing program to meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 40.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Attachment 2
Data Request and Response from Uber (9/8/25, 9/18/25)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
505 VAN NESS AVENUE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298



September 8, 2025

TNC: [REDACTED]

Uber Technologies, Inc.

Email: [REDACTED]

Subject: Data Request No. [REDACTED] CPED UBER (No. 1)
Due Date: September 18, 2025

Dear Uber Technologies, Inc.:

The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division (CPED) requests the information listed in the attachment. Please provide the information on or before September 18, 2025, to Evan.Schwartz@cpuc.ca.gov and cc Rahmon.Momoh@cpuc.ca.gov and Shirley.Lei@cpuc.ca.gov. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

If, for any reason, you are unable to respond to this data request by September 18, 2025, please provide a written explanation by 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2025, explaining why you cannot meet the due date, and when you anticipate providing the requested information.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Evan Schwartz

Evan Schwartz, Enforcement Analyst
California Public Utilities Commission
Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division
Transportation Enforcement Branch (TEB)
Email: Evan.Schwartz@cpuc.ca.gov
Telephone: (213) 831-6636

cc: Rahmon Momoh – TEB Program and Project Supervisor

Attachment

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298



DATA REQUEST NO. PSG 0043670-CPED UBER (No. 1)

1. For the Uber account associated with TCP 43670-P (Revoked) (Armat Holdings Inc), the Payment Statements and Trip Receipt records (waybills) for all drivers driving between April 11, 2025, and May 8, 2025,
2. The license plate number(s) and VIN number(s) for all vehicles and all drivers' names and drivers' license numbers associated with this account, and
3. The respective insurance carrier name(s) and policy number(s) for each vehicle and all 1099s issued during the last one year.

END OF REQUEST

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(continued)

1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 2000; 283: 2689-2694.

[illegible][illegible]

[illegible]

Attachment 3
DMV EPN Driver List (7/8/25)

7/15/25, 11:52 AM

Driver List

Driver Name	DL Number	Requester Code	Add Date	Delete Date	Status
			01/02/2025		Enrolled
			10/28/2024		Enrolled
			04/10/2023		Enrolled
			10/28/2024		Enrolled
			10/28/2024		Enrolled

Attachment 4
Email Correspondence with Armat Holdings (7/21/25)



Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Reminder: FW: Cease and Desist - Armat Holdings, Inc. [REDACTED] TCP 43670-P
[REDACTED]

From Armat Holdings [REDACTED]
Date Mon 7/21/2025 [REDACTED]
To Schwartz, Evan <Evan.Schwartz@cpuc.ca.gov>
[REDACTED]

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1. Is no longer operating or advertising any services related to transportation as of approximately May 8th, 2025.- Armat holdings Inc stopped operating from May 8,2025
2. Has not employed and does not employ anyone outside of its own shareholders listed on the Statement of Information, as of May 29th, 2025.- not operating after 05/08/2025
3. Has not undertaken any commercial transactions related to transportation since approximately May 8th, 2025.- did not do any business after 05/08/2025
4. Has not possessed any insurance related to worker's compensation at any time.- NO COMPANY DID NOT
5. Has not held personal liability and property damage since approximately May 8th, 2025 (most recent policy number is [REDACTED]) NO LIABILITY
6. Has not contracted with any drug consortium since approximately April 11th, 2025.-COMPANY HAS NOT CONTRACTED WITH ANY OTHER DRUG TESTING CONSORTIUM SINCE THEN
7. Does not have any vehicles registered in its corporate name.- WILL ANSWER AS SOON AS MEET NARINE ISHKHANYAN
8. Has only entered into transactions with vehicles that are not in operation any longer for official business use.-NO WE DID NOT
9. Has used vehicles that are registered in your personal name alone.-NO ARMAT HOLDING DID NOT USED ANY PERSONAL NAME CARS AFTER 05/08/2025
10. Has only employed [REDACTED] to be drivers of these vehicles.-THERE WERE 2 OTHER PEOPLE [REDACTED]
11. Has a current, official business address of [REDACTED] MAILING ADDRESS: [REDACTED]
12. Has another current, official business address of [REDACTED] NO OTHER CURRENT BUSINESS
13. Will be dissolved by not later than October 15th, 2025, but has not been dissolved as of yet. - BEEN DISSOLVED ON 07/16/2025. DISSOLUTION FORM IS ATTACHED.
14. Does not have any FBNs or DBAs.- NO WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER NAME.