

## Natural Resources Board Civil Citation - 10 V.S.A. §8019

Respondent Full Name or C	Organization Name: C	Eurran-Birge Rea	l Estate Partnersh	nip Citation	Number: 16EC01180
Respondent Current Mailing	g Address: PO Box	x 489		VC: NR1	117
City/Town: Springfield	State: VT	Zip Code: 051	50		
Home Phone:	Business Phone: 8	802-886-6217	Date of Birth:	/ /	$M \square F \square$
Respondent of	did commit the follow	ing acts in violat	tion of Vermont I	Law, Statute, R	Rule, or Permit:
Violation Citation: Minor vi	iolation of Act 250, an	Act 250 Rule, o	or an Act 250 Lan	d Use Permit	
Violation Description: Violation be refrigerated insicorrect the problem after reco	ide the warehouse at a	ll times until it is	s picked up and re	emoved from	
Location of Violation: 25 Fa occurrences between 10/6/		Springfield, VT	Date Violation	Observed/Oc	curred: numerous
Penalties: If you plead ADM plead DENIED <u>and</u> the Sta			1 /		of appearing in court. If you blus any court costs.
	nimum \$450 sessed \$2,000 Waiv	Maximum \$ 2,0 er Amount \$1,5			
Delivered to (Resp., Reg. Ag	gent, or Corp. Officer)	: Mark Curran			
Date Served: /7/ By I	Hand U.S. Ma	il Invest	tigator's Dept.: A	NR NRE	3 🖂
Issuing Investigator Printed	Name: Aaron J. Bror	ndyke Investi	gator's Signature:	4-9.E	
Public Notice & Opportu	nity to Comment:		<b>*</b>		
I certify that a draft of this c	ivil citation has been p	posted for public	c notice and writte	en comment f	or a period of 30 days
Comments were rec	ceived and are attached	d No cor	mments were rece	eived	
Service Members Civil Re	lief Act Affidavit: Un	nder oath, I state	Respondent is N	OT on active	duty in the U.S. armed forces
because: Respondent is unde					
Respondent said he	/she is not on active of	duty in the U.S. a	armed forces	Other:	
Issuing Investigator Printed		ndyke Investigat	tor's Signature:		
Subscribed and sworn befor					_ Date: / /
State of Vermont, County _		My (	Commission Expi	ires: / /	
	Respond	dent's Plea to	this Civil Citat	<u>ion</u>	
Mark ("X") your plea:	Admitted [	No C	Contest	Denied _	
Respondent or Corporate O	fficer Signature:				Date:
Current Mailing Address:					
•					te: Zip Code:
nome Phone		<del></del>	business Pr	10116	

Deliver your plea in person or by mail to the Vermont Superior Court at: Environmental Division
32 Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Ste. 303
Burlington, VT 05401

### GENERAL INFORMATION KEEP THIS PAGE FOR REFERENCE

### **BACKGROUND**

You are charged with a civil violation within the jurisdiction of the Superior Court Environmental Division of Vermont *pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Section 8019*. The Environmental Division is designed to allow you to speak for yourself without an attorney, but you may hire an attorney at your own expense. The Environmental Division will not provide an attorney to you, and its staff will not provide legal advice to you.

If you plead "ADMITTED" or "NO CONTEST" to the alleged violation, then you may waive your right to appear in Court and pay the waiver amount.

If you plead "DENIED" to the alleged violation, then you will be scheduled to appear in court at least once. A corporation must have an attorney or corporate officer (i.e. president, vice president) appear in court. A minor should be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

The trial is a summary hearing without a jury. You and the State may offer testimony and exhibits into evidence. All witnesses must appear in person and testify truthfully under oath. Written statements usually are excluded from evidence.

The issuer of the citation will serve as the prosecutor unless an attorney for the state is present to prosecute the case. The judge will not discuss the case with you or the prosecutor, except in Court at a hearing. The judge does not have authority to issue a 'warning,' even when leniency is appropriate. The decision to issue a warning, rather than file a citation, rests with the prosecutor.

The burden of proof is on the State to prove the violation by a preponderance of the evidence, which is defined as the violation is more likely to have occurred than not. If the State satisfies the burden of proof, then judgment will be entered against you. If the State fails to meet the burden of proof, the case will be dismissed.

Most decisions are delivered orally in Court at the end of the hearing, but some decisions are issued in writing and mailed to the parties. Occasionally, more than one hearing is required for the judge to reach a decision.

### **PLEADING**

If you plead "ADMITTED" or "NO CONTEST": Mark your plea and sign at the bottom of the Citation. Deliver your plea to the Environmental Division within 15 days with payment of the WAIVER AMOUNT shown on the citation. Pay by check or money order in U.S. funds (make checks payable to SUPERIOR COURT ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION). Judgment will then be entered against you.

If you plead "DENIED": Mark your plea and sign at the bottom of the citation. Deliver your plea to the Environmental Division within 15 days. You will then be scheduled to appear in court.

YOU MUST DELIVER A PLEA WITHIN 15 DAYS: otherwise, judgment will be entered against you by default, and you will be liable for the ASSESSED AMOUNT.

### **COPYING ALL PARTIES**

Any other pleading, letter, motion, or other correspondence sent to the Environmental Division related to a civil citation must also be sent to the Natural Resources Board. The Environmental Division intends to digitally scan

all written correspondence. Thus, letters and motions should be typed on white letter-size paper (8  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. by 11 in.) and signed in black or dark blue ink.

# FAILURE TO PAY AND/OR CORRECT THE VIOLATION

If judgment is entered against you and you fail to pay the penalty amount, and/or fail to correct the subject violation, your ability to obtain or operate under any Agency of Natural Resources or Natural Resources Board permit may be affected.

### **APPEARANCE BY THIRD PARTIES**

Under state law (10 V.S.A. Section 8020), a third party may file a request with the Environmental Division to be heard on the sufficiency of the civil citation. If a request is filed, and the Environmental Division decides to allow the third party to appear, you will be notified and given the opportunity to respond.

### ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION

By issuing a civil citation, the issuing entity will not be able to seek an additional penalty for the violation specified in the citation if the waiver penalty is paid, judgment is entered after trial or appeal, or a default judgment is entered. However, the issuing entity may issue additional civil citations or take other enforcement action authorized by law when a violation is continuing or is repeated. It may also bring an enforcement action to obtain injunctive relief or remediation, and may recover the costs of bringing that action and any economic benefit obtained as a result of the underlying violation as authorized by law.

### **Environmental Division**

The Vermont Superior Court is open Monday through Friday, except holidays, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Superior Court- Environmental Division 32 Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Ste. 303 Burlington, VT 05401 (802) 951-1740 www.vermontjudiciary.org

### Natural Resources Board

Natural Resources Board is open Monday through Friday, except holidays, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Natural Resources Board
1 National Life Drive, Dewey Building
Montpelier, VT 05620-3201
(802) 828-3309
<a href="http://www.nrb.state.vt.us/lup/enforcement.htm">http://www.nrb.state.vt.us/lup/enforcement.htm</a>

