## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Director of the Manufactured Housing and Modular Units Program of the Missouri Public Service Commission,	) ) )
Complainant,	) )
V.	) ) <u>File No. MC-2011-0319</u> )
Burkhart Mobile Homes, Inc.,	) )
8700 E. 70 Highway Kansas City, MO 64129	) ) )
CERTIFIED MAIL	) )
Respondent,	<i>)</i> )

## NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE AND ORDER DIRECTING FILINGS

Issue Date: April 4, 2011 Effective Date: April 4, 2011

The Commission is giving notice of a complaint and contested case, and directing the parties to make certain filings.

On March 31, 2011, the Commission received the complaint, a copy of which is attached. The filing of a complaint requires the Commission to set a hearing.<sup>1</sup> The requirement of a hearing on such issues signifies a contested case.<sup>2</sup> A contested case is a formal hearing procedure, but it allows for waiver of procedural formalities and a decision without a hearing,<sup>3</sup> including by stipulation and agreement.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 386.390.5, RSMo 2000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 536.010(4), RSMo Supp. 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 536.060, RSMo 2000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 4 CSR 240-2.115.

As an alternative to the formal evidentiary hearing procedure, the Commission offers mediation. Mediation is a voluntary process in which a neutral person assists the parties in exploring opportunities for settlement. Upon a request for mediation, the Commission may suspend the schedule set forth in this order.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall file an answer to the complaint no later than May 4, 2011.
- 2. This order is effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

(SEAL)

Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.