

MINUTES OF THE ARKANSAS MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION

**Business Meeting
101 East Capitol Avenue, Suite 204
Little Rock, Arkansas**

October 15th, 2008

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairman Sandy Stroope. Staff present were Legal Counsel Arnie Jochums, Executive Director Greg Kirkpatrick, License Supervisor Vicki Wright, Investigators Otis Hogan and Danny Holmes, Fiscal Officer and Communications Manager Dana Brown, and Secretary Angela Stoffer. All Commissioners were present. Guests included the following individuals: Mr. Byron Southern representing Butch Martindill with Little Rock Mitsubishi, Bryan Hunt and Ken Shemin representing Mountaineer Power Sports, Ethel Cook with Cook Jeep Chrysler, Kendra Jones Commission Hearing Officer, and Susan Whitson Commission Court Reporter.

The minutes from the September 17, 2008, meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

The Director's report was presented and approved.

The Commission discussed Hearing #08-024 on Cook Jeep Chrysler vs. Crain Chrysler Dodge Jeep. The Commission found the hearing was placed on the agenda prematurely as the Commission had not received notice from Chrysler Motors regarding the possible relocation of Crain Chrysler. Ms. Cook spoke on her behalf requesting protection.

Director Kirkpatrick informed the Commission of the legislative agenda meeting scheduled by AADA for this session.

Director Kirkpatrick informed the Commission of the legislative budget hearings and the status of the Commission's budget bill including the hold placed by Representative Bruce Maloch concerning special language.

Legal Counsel had no issues at this time.

The ad hoc recommendations were approved as presented.

The Commission applauded Investigator Holmes return to work after his illness and wished him well.

The Commission moved on the agenda to H#08-023 AMVC vs. Mountaineer Power Sports. Commissioner Wallace recused himself from the hearing. After reviewing documents and hearing testimony from Investigator Holmes and Investigator Hogan, the Commission found Mountaineer violated Commission statutes when it sold vehicles at a lower actual price to one dealer compared to other dealers and in lieu of revocation or suspension, Mountaineer was fined five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Stroope.

These minutes are subject to approval by
The Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission

Sandy Stroope, Chairman
Scott Wallace, Vice Chairman
Joy Blankenship, Secretary