

State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

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JAMES E. McGREEVEY Governor CLIFTON R. LACY, M.D. Commissioner

September 24, 2002

Tony M. Davis

Re: ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST IMPERSONATION OF A CERTIFIED NEW JERSEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-BASIC Investigation Control #02-C-046

Dear Mr. Davis:

It has come to the attention of this Department's Office of Emergency Medical Services that you have been impersonating an EMT-Basic. Specifically, OEMS staff has learned that you have been working in the capacity of a New Jersey EMT-Basic for Rapid Response Ambulance and Invalid Coach of Newark, New Jersey. Additionally, you applied for an EMT position with Tech Transportation Systems (Tech) of Orange, New Jersey. You have been unable to produce an original EMT-Basic certification for Tech. However, you did produce a photocopy of an EMT-Basic certification that shows an expiration date of June 30, 2003. OEMS staff conducted a review of certification records, which clearly indicate that you are not certified by the New Jersey State Department of Health and Senior Services as an EMT-Basic. OEMS records indicate that your New Jersey EMT-Basic certification expired June 30, 2000. As such, it is clear that you are not certified as a New Jersey EMT-Basic. Please be advised that officials at Tech Transportation Systems and Rapid Response are aware of these facts.

N.J.A.C. 8:40A-9.1 sets forth the complete list of standards for certification as a New Jersey EMT-Basic. Only those individuals that have met those qualifications and have been officially certified by this Department's OEMS may hold themselves out to the public as EMT-Basics. In the event that an individual represents himself as being a certified EMT-Basic when, in fact, he or she is not so certified, this Department is obligated to take steps to halt such activity.

As such, you are hereby **ordered to immediately CEASE AND DESIST** any further representations that you are a certified New Jersey EMT-Basic. In accordance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:40A-9.5(a) The Department may suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or reissue any certification of any EMT for any of the following reasons:

- 2. Deceptive or fraudulent procurement of certification or recertification credentials and/or documentation;
- 11. Failure to comply with any part of this chapter.

Therefore, you are prohibited from future certification as a New Jersey EMT-Basic. Additionally, you are hereby ordered to surrender any and all fraudulent certification credentials to the Office of Emergency Medical Services. Pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:14B-1, <u>et seq</u>. and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:40A-9.5(b), you are entitled to a hearing before the Office of Administrative Law to contest this proposed refusal to issue or reissue certification. Your request for a hearing on this matter must be submitted in writing and must be accompanied by a response to the charge contained herein.

Your request for a hearing must be submitted within 30 days from the date of this Notice and should be forwarded to:

New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services Office of Legal & Regulatory Affairs P.O. Box 360, Room 805 Trenton, NJ 08625-0360 Attn: Mrs. Carole Slimm

Please include the control number noted above (i.e., #02-C-046) on all of your correspondence. Finally, please note that failure to submit a request for a hearing within 30 days shall result in the automatic refusal to issue or reissue your EMT certification. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. William Dougan of my office at (609) 633-7777.

Your full cooperation in this matter is appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact William Dougan of my office at (609) 633-7777.

Sincerely,

Susan Way, Director Office of Emergency Medical Services

c: NREMT Mr. Frank Batista, Tech Transportation Systems Mr. Kayron Davis, Rapid Response Ms. Halupke, OEMS Mr. Dinetz, OEMS Mr. Dougan, OEMS National Registry of EMT's

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