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July 8, 2024

Maxim Healthcare Staffing Attn: Amber Moler / Sr. Litigation Paralegal 7227 Lee Deforest Drive Columbia, MD 21046

RE: Violations of Title 26 MRS. Inspection #482931

Dear Amber Moler,

When our Inspector, visited your place of business on August 7, 2023, the following violations of Maine Labor Law were found:

26 MRS §621-A Timely and Full Payment of Wages requires that employees be paid in full, on an established day or date, at regular intervals made known to the employee. The intervals may not exceed 16 days and must include all wages earned to within 8 days of the payment date.

In this case, the employer failed to pay employee in full for the pay period of 07/16/2023 to 07/22/2023 with a pay date of 07/27/2023 and pay period 7/23/2023-07/29/2023 with a pay date of 08/03/2023.

26 MRS §626-A PENALTIES Whoever violates any of the provisions of section 600-A, sections 621-A to 623 or section 626, 628, 628-A, 629 or 629-B is subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for each violation. Each employee is counted as a separate violation, each pay cycle.

2 Violation of $\S621$ -A x \$100 = \$200.00

26 MRS §664 (3) Overtime Rate requires that employees be paid time-and-one-half their regular hourly rate for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week.

In this case, the employer failed to pay earned overtime for both 07/16/2023 to 07/22/2023 with a pay date of 07/27/2023 and pay period 7/23/2023-07/29/2023 with a pay date of 08/03/2023.

26 MRS §671 PENALTIES Any employer who violates this subchapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200. In the event of the

violation of any of the provisions of this subchapter, the Attorney General may institute injunction proceedings in the Superior Court to enjoin further violation thereof.

2 violations of $\S664$ (3) x \$50.00 = \$100.00

26 MRS §53 Additional Penalties In addition to any penalties provided in chapter 7, subchapters I to IV, the director may assess a

forfeiture against any employer, officer, agent or other person who violates any provision of chapter 7,

subchapters I to IV for each violation of those subchapters. The forfeiture may not exceed \$1,000 or

the amount provided in law or rule as a penalty for the specific violation, whichever is less.

The total penalty for the above violation(s) is \$300.00.

Make checks payable to "Treasurer, State of Maine"

You may file a formal appeal of any violation or penalty within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of this notice. The appeal must be submitted in writing to the Deputy Director of the Bureau, at the address listed above. If you file an appeal, be specific as to what violation(s) or penalty you wish to appeal. If a request for a formal appeal is received timely, a hearing will be scheduled. The Deputy Director will serve as the hearing officer or may assign the appeal to a qualified hearing officer. The hearing will be at the headquarters of the Bureau or at a place mutually agreeable to the parties. The hearing may be held telephonically or by remote video, at the discretion of the Deputy Director. All proposed penalties will be stayed until after the formal appeal is heard.

If no response is received within the designated timeframe you accept all citations and any penalties assessed. The notice will become a final order and payment will be due at that time. Checks should be made payable to "Treasurer, State of Maine" and mailed to the address at the top of this citation.

We strongly recommend that any correspondence be sent by certified mail. Failure to correct violations may result in additional penalties for each violation that is not corrected.

You may approach the Bureau to negotiate a settlement to waive the violations or penalties at any time during this process. However, settlement negotiations will not affect the deadline to appeal.

If you have questions regarding this notice, you may contact the Bureau of Labor Standards, Wage & Hour Division at (207) 623-7925.

Respectfully,

Scott Cotnoir, Director Wage and Hour Division Inspection #482931