STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

CHARLES PEARCE and JOHN S. SMITH : d/b/a WOOD ACRES For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Sales & Use : Taxes under Article(s) 28 & 29 of the Tax Law for the YEXXXXXX Period ending : February 28, 1972.

State of New York County of Albany

Catherine Steele , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 24th day of August , 1976, she served the within Notice of Determination by (xextified) mail upon Charles Pearce & John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres(representative xxf) the petitioner in the within proceeding,

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres 135 Grant Avenue Auburn, New York 13021 and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a

(post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative exfertex) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative safe the petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

24th day of August , 1976

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STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

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August 24, 1976

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STATE TAX COMMISSION

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Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres 135 Grant Avenue Auburn, New York 13021

Gentlemen:

Please take notice of the **DETERMINATION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 1138 & 1243 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

árs. Paul B. Coburn

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Supervising Tax Hearing Officer

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Taxing Bureau's Representative:

STATE OF NEW YORK

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Applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres, 135 Grant Avenue, Auburn, New York 13021, have filed an application for revision of a determination or for a refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period ending February 28, 1972. (Notice No. 90,774,608) A formal hearing was held before Julius E. Braun, Esq., Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, State Office Building, Syracuse, New York, on March 30, 1976. Applicants appeared <u>pro se</u>. The Sales Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Alexander Weiss, Esq., of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres, are responsible for New York State sales tax on the purchase of a car wash system from a vendor-builder of such systems who has failed to collect said tax from applicants.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On December 10, 1974, as the result of an audit, the Sales Tax Bureau issued a Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due for the period ending February 28, 1972 in the amount of \$7,000.00 against applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres. Payment of \$7,000.00 plus minimum interest to February 20, 1975 of \$1,531.25 for a total of \$8,531.25 was made by them.

2. Applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres, entered into a written contract with the Upstate Auto Wash Co., Inc. of Rochester, New York, on July 2, 1971, in the amount of \$130,000.00, for the construction of a challenger car wash system which included building, equipment and development as a turn-key operation. The contract required Upstate to assume responsibility for any sales tax due. No sales tax was collected nor paid to the State of New York by Upstate.

3. Applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres, in their Federal partnership return, allocated under "Cost of Equipment" the sum of \$100,000.00, the amount upon which the New York State sales tax was determined.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the applicants, Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres, as customers, are obligated for the payment of New York State and local sales taxes where the person required to collect the same has failed to do so within the meaning and intent of section 1133(b) of the Tax Law.

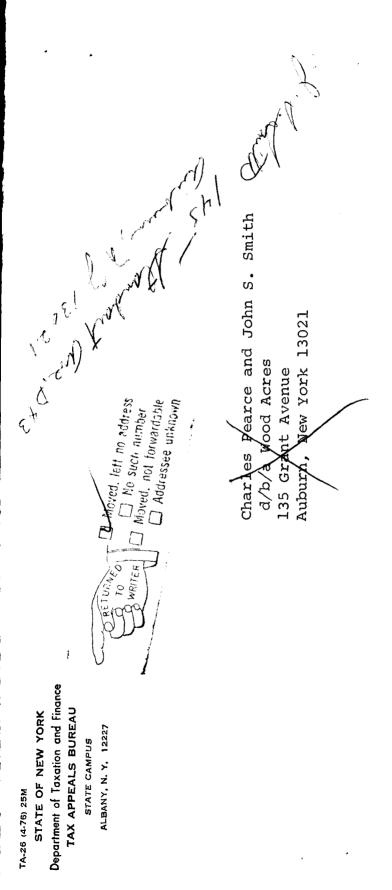
B. That the Notice of Determination and Demand for Payment of Sales and Use Taxes Due is sustained and the application of Charles Pearce and John S. Smith d/b/a Wood Acres is denied.

DATED: Albany, New York August 24, 1976 STATE TAX COMMISSION

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Janet Mack , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 14th day of September , 1976, she served the within Notice of mexicine (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon John S. Smith (representative xef) the petitioner in the within

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: John S. Smith 145 Standart Avenue, D-43 Auburn, NY 13021

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative XX) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative state) petitioner.

to before me this Sworn and mack September **, 19**76.

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