

Investigation Files #17-11-114 Undertaking File #18-08-002

### **UNDERTAKING**

# IN THE MATTER OF THE *MOTOR DEALER ACT* R.S.B.C. 1996 c. 316 and the *BUSINESS PRACTICES AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT* S.B.C. 2004, c. 2

**THIS UNDERTAKING** is made, jointly and severally, with an effective date of April 17, 2019, by:

### **GOLDLINE MOTORS, INC.** ("Goldline") (#30752)

AND

### TAGHI "TONY" VAHID SHAHIDI (#110394)

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. Goldline is a "registered motor dealer" as defined under the Motor Dealer Act R.S.B.C. 1996 c. 316 ("MDA").
- 2. Taghi "Tony" Vahid Shahidi (#110650) is the owner of and guiding mind behind Goldline, and is a "salesperson" as defined under the MDA.
- 3. Shahidi acknowledges and affirms that he speaks for and acts on behalf of and can legally bind himself and Goldline.
- 4. The "Registrar of Motor Dealers" ("Registrar"), as defined under the MDA, is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the MDA, its regulations, and prescribed provisions of the Business Practices and Consumer Protection Act S.B.C. 2004 c. 2 (the "BPCPA").
- 5. The Registrar has investigated and received information that Goldline and Shahidi have made oral, written, visual, descriptive or other representations, and/or engaged in conduct that had the capability, tendency, or effect of deceiving or misleading consumers.
- 6. Said investigation and information have given rise to Investigation File #17-11-114 with the VSA.
- 7. Moreover, by engaging in this conduct Goldline and Shahidi have breached the terms of certain Undertakings made on September 2, 2014, in VSA Hearing File 14-09-001.

**NOW THEREFORE** Goldline and Shahidi undertake, for themselves, individually and collectively:

- 8. To comply with the MDA, the Motor Vehicle Act R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 318 ("MVA"), the BPCPA, and the regulations made thereunder;
- 9. To cease and desist, and removed any and all false or misleading advertising in respect of the sale of motor vehicles;
- 10. To cease and desist advertising or offering for sale any motor vehicles, which do not comply with the MVA;
- 11. To affix MVA compliance notices to all vehicles, which are not suitable for transportation or not for sale;
- 12. To ensure that all motor vehicles offered for sale unless identified as "Not Suitable for Transportation," pass a Provincial Private Vehicle Inspection ("PVI") conducted by a designated inspection facility, or pass a mechanical and safety inspection conducted by a facility using a qualified red seal mechanic using a form that conforms with the PVI standard, that Goldline, its officers, directors or employees have no personal or business interest;
- 13. To provide a copy of the pass inspection report form the Inspection Facility to the consumer at the time of the transaction;
- 14. To ensure all consumers receive a current and accurate valuation of any damages sustained by motor vehicles, which are being offered for sale;
- 15. To ensure that all motor vehicles involved in a transaction are few and clear of liens at the time of such transaction and the liens on trade in vehicles are paid out immediately after the transaction occurs;
- 16. To make all dealer files available to the Registrar for inspections, assessment, and confirmation that Goldline and Shahidi are in full compliance with this Undertaking and the Undertaking made on September 2, 2014
- 17. To pay an Administrative Penalty, in the amount of \$5,000, on behalf of Goldline for contraventions of the BPCPA;
- 18. To pay an Administrative Penalty, in the amount of \$5,000, on behalf of Shahidi for contraventions of the BPCPA;
- 19. To pay an Administrative Penalty, in the amount of \$1,500, on behalf of both Goldline and Shahidi for their breach of the September 2, 2014 Undertaking.

- 20. To have Shahidi retake and successful pass the salesperson certification class, at his own expense within sixty (60) days of this Undertaking's being made.
- 21. To reimburse the Registrar a total \$500.43 representing 100% of the investigation, hearing, and legal costs incurred to date in relation to this matter within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Undertaking.

# GOLDLINE AND SHAHIDI FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE, REPRESENT AND DECLARE:

- 22. That in addition to rendering the Goldline and Shahidi liable to further penalties and proceedings as provided for under the BPCPA, it is an offence under the BPCPA to fail to comply with any part of this undertaking that has not been previously terminated;
- 23. That nothing herein is intended to resolve any other complaint or investigation not specifically referenced in this Undertaking; and
- 24. Goldline and Shahidi have each read this Undertaking and have had a reasonable opportunity to seek and obtain legal advice as its terms.

**DATED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019

Dealer: Taghi "Tony" Vahid Shahidi (#110650)

Signature: <u>Original Signed</u> For and on behalf of Goldline and Shahidi

**ACCEPTED** by the Registrar of Motor Dealers this  $17^{Th}$  day of April 2019.

Original Signed Ian Christman Registrar of Motor Dealers