OCCC CASE NO. L25-086

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	BEFORE THE
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MASTER FILE NO.: 2100070275	§	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
VICENTE LOPEZ	§	
d/b/a BV AUTO SALES	§	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
602 WEST MALONE	§	
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78225	§	STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER OF REVOCATION

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order of Revocation against Vicente Lopez d/b/a BV Auto Sales ("BV Auto Sales"), based on the violations of law described below.¹

Statement of Facts and Law

Under Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code, a person must hold a motor vehicle sales finance license in order to act as a holder of motor vehicle retail installment contracts.² A holder includes a dealer that sells motor vehicles and agrees to accept the cash price in one or more deferred installments.³ Under Chapter 348's implementing rules, a license applicant must provide a list of all motor vehicle retail installment contracts that the applicant previously entered.⁴

BV Auto Sales is a motor vehicle dealer that holds a motor vehicle sales finance license issued by the OCCC under Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code. BV Auto Sales operates under master file number 2100070275 at one licensed location, under license number 167153. BV Auto Sales' compliance officer is Vicente Lopez, and its designated contact address is 602 West Malone, San Antonio, Texas 78225.

¹ Tex. Fin. Code §§ 14.208, 348.508.

² Tex. Fin. Code § 348.501.

³ Tex. Fin. Code § 348.001(3), (7), (8).

⁴ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 84.602(1)(F)(i).

The OCCC issued BV Auto Sales' motor vehicle sales finance license on January 20, 2022. In its license application, BV Auto Sales answered "No" to questions about whether it had made previous retail installment contracts and whether it had sold vehicles for multiple payments.

The OCCC examined BV Auto Sales in March 2024. During the examination, the OCCC identified records of 27 motor vehicle retail installment transactions that BV Auto Sales entered before the effective date of its license, with the earliest transaction occurring in August 2020. After the examination, OCCC licensing staff instructed BV Auto Sales to complete a statement of its previous financing activity. BV Auto Sales sent a statement to the OCCC identifying only seven transactions. The OCCC sent a follow-up request instructing BV Auto Sales to disclose all financing that occurred without a license. BV Auto Sales did not provide a revised statement of previous financing activity in response to the OCCC's follow-up request.

On April 17, 2025, the OCCC issued an Order to Cease and Desist Unlicensed Activity, to Take Affirmative Action, and to Make Restitution against BV Auto Sales. The Order required BV Auto Sales to cease collecting payments on retail installment contracts entered before January 20, 2022, to refund finance charges, to release liens filed on motor vehicles, and to send a spreadsheet of affected transactions to the OCCC. BV Auto Sales did not request a hearing, and the Order became final and enforceable. BV Auto Sales did not provide the information required by the Order and did not respond to the OCCC's attempts at follow-up communication.

Authority

Under Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code, the Consumer Credit Commissioner ("Commissioner") may revoke a motor vehicle sales finance license if: (1) the license holder, knowingly or without exercise of due care, violates Chapter 348, a rule adopted under Chapter 348, or an order issued under Chapter 348; or (2) a fact or condition exists that, if it had existed or had been known to exist at the time of the original application for the license, clearly would have justified the Commissioner's denial of the application.

⁵ OCCC Case No. L25-044.

If the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that a person is violating Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code, the Commissioner may issue an order to cease and desist from the violation, to take affirmative action, or both to ensure compliance.⁶ Additionally, the Commissioner may order a person who violates Chapter 348 or a rule adopted under Chapter 348 to make restitution to an identifiable person injured by the violation.⁷

BV Auto Sales violated the OCCC's April 2025 order by failing to take required actions and failing to provide required information. BV Auto Sales violated Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code by acting as a holder in motor vehicle retail installment transactions without a motor vehicle sales finance license. BV Auto Sales violated Chapter 348's implementing rules by failing to identify previous retail installment transactions in its license application. These violations were committed knowingly or without exercise of due care. These violations would have justified denial of BV Auto Sales' original license application, if these violations had existed or been known to exist at the time of the license application.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The motor vehicle sales finance license of Vicente Lopez d/b/a BV Auto Sales, master file number 2100070275, license number 167153, is REVOKED.
- 2. BV Auto Sales must cease and desist entering or taking assignment of motor vehicle retail installment transactions. BV Auto Sales must cease and desist taking credit applications.
- 3. BV Auto Sales must cease and desist advertising motor vehicle retail installment transactions. BV Auto Sales must remove any advertisements (including any physical signs and any material on a website) suggesting that BV Auto Sales will finance vehicles, that consumers may apply for credit, or that consumers may pay for vehicles in more than one payment.
- 4. BV Auto Sales must cease and desist collecting any payments on motor vehicle retail installment transactions. BV Auto Sales must cease and desist

⁶ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(a).

⁷ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.251(b).

- repossessing motor vehicles, and must cease and desist selling any motor vehicles that it has repossessed
- 5. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** BV Auto Sales must perform a self-review and identify each outstanding motor vehicle retail installment transaction, including each sale of a motor vehicle for which BV Auto Sales is accepting payments, holds a lien, or has repossessed a motor vehicle that it has not sold.
- 6. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** for each outstanding motor vehicle retail installment transaction, BV Auto Sales must cease collecting any payments, must release any lien, and must return any unsold repossessed vehicle to the consumer. BV Auto Sales may not charge a fee to any consumer for releasing any lien.
- 7. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** BV Auto Sales must refund any finance charges that it charged or received from any retail buyers in connection with retail installment transactions entered before January 20, 2022.
- 8. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** BV Auto Sales must identify each retail installment transaction that it has assigned to another person.
- 9. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** BV Auto Sales must create a spreadsheet labeled "L25-086_BVAutoSales." The spreadsheet must list each outstanding transaction that BV Auto Sales identified, each transaction that BV Auto Sales assigned to another person, and each transaction for which BV Auto Sales provided refunds, as described above. The spreadsheet must include a row for each consumer and the following columns:
 - a. Account number
 - b. First and last name of buyer
 - c. Date of retail installment transaction
 - d. Dollar amount of finance charge
 - e. Dollar amount of finance charge refunded to the buyer
 - f. Date of the refund
 - g. Date on which BV Auto Sales released the lien, if applicable

- h. Name of any person that BV Auto Sales assigned the transaction to, if applicable
- 10. **No later than 30 days after the date of this Order,** BV Auto Sales must send a copy of the spreadsheet to the OCCC. The spreadsheet must be sent by email to Matthew Nance at matthew.nance@occc.texas.gov.
- 11. BV Auto Sales must retain transaction records for each loan or other credit transaction, including copies of any refund checks and any ledgers showing account credits, until the later of the following:
 - a. the fourth anniversary of the date of the transaction; or
 - b. the second anniversary of the date on which the final entry is made in the record.
- 12. BV Auto Sales must allow the OCCC to investigate its records to verify compliance with this Order. If the OCCC requests any information regarding a credit transaction, BV Auto Sales must provide the requested information within five days.

Violation of Order

If you violate this Order, the OCCC may impose an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 for each day.8

Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order. To request a hearing, you must send a written hearing request to the OCCC no later than 30 days after the date of this Order. You must send your request to Matthew Nance, General Counsel, by mail to 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78705, or by email to matthew.nance@occc.texas.gov.

If you request a hearing, a hearing will be set and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2001 of the Texas Government Code.¹¹ If you fail to request a hearing by this deadline, the Order will be considered final and enforceable.¹²

⁸ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

⁹ Tex. Fin. Code §§ 14.208(b), 348.508.

¹⁰ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹² Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Matthew Nance, General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78705, by telephone at 512-936-7660, or by email to matthew.nance@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 12th day of August, 2025.

/s/ Leslie Pettijohn

Leslie L. Pettijohn Consumer Credit Commissioner State of Texas

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on August 12, 2025, a true and correct copy of this Order of Revocation has been sent to Vicente Lopez d/b/a BV Auto Sales by the following:

Vicente Lopez d/b/a BV Auto Sales ⊠ email Attn: Vicente Lopez, Compliance ☐ eFileTexas.gov electronic service Officer 602 West Malone ⊠ regular mail San Antonio, TX 78225 vicentelopez2616@gmail.com ⊠ certified mail, return receipt requested #9214 8901 9403 8300 0026 9559 87 Vicente Lopez d/b/a BV Auto Sales ⊠ email Attn: Hugo Garces, Registered Agent ☐ eFileTexas.gov electronic service 266 Corliss San Antonio, TX 78220 ⊠ regular mail hugogarcesd@gmail.com ⊠ certified mail, return receipt requested #9214 8901 9403 8300 0026 9564 58

/s/ Matthew Nance

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