

(B) (1) WHEN THE COMMISSIONER, AFTER INVESTIGATION, HAS CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT ANY PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION IS VIOLATING SECTION 161 OF THIS SUBTITLE, AND HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT IMMEDIATE IRREPARABLE LOSS AND INJURY TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC HAS NOT OCCURRED OR WILL NOT OCCUR, HE SHALL NOTIFY THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IN WRITING OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.

(2) WITHIN 15 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THIS NOTIFICATION, THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR MAY SHOW CAUSE TO THE COMMISSIONER IN WRITING WHY THE COMMISSIONER SHOULD NOT ISSUE AN ORDER REQUIRING THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM THE VIOLATION.

(3) IF THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR DOES NOT RESPOND TO THE COMMISSIONER'S SHOW CAUSE REQUEST WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TIME PERIOD, THE COMMISSIONER MAY ISSUE AN ORDER REQUIRING THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR TO IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND DESIST FROM THE VIOLATION.

(4) IF THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR RESPONDS TO THE COMMISSIONER'S SHOW CAUSE REQUEST, THE COMMISSIONER MAY:

(I) TERMINATE ALL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IF, BASED UPON THE RESPONSE OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR TO THE SHOW CAUSE REQUEST HE DETERMINES THAT THERE IS NO BASIS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER; OR

(II) SCHEDULE A HEARING, NOTIFYING THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IN WRITING BY CERTIFIED MAIL OF THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF THE HEARING.

(5) (I) IF AFTER A HEARING THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES THAT THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IS IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 161 OF THIS SUBTITLE, HE SHALL ORDER THE VIOLATOR TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM THE VIOLATION.

(II) IF AFTER A HEARING THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES THAT THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IS NOT IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 161 OF THIS SUBTITLE, HE SHALL TERMINATE ALL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR.

(C) IF ANY PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION FAILS TO COMPLY WITH ANY LAWFUL ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSIONER MAY:

(1) PETITION A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO ISSUE AN ORDER COMPELLING COMPLIANCE WITH THE ~~LAWFUL~~ LAWFUL ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER; OR

(2) TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE.

(D) THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT, INCLUDING ITS PROVISIONS FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW IN CONTESTED CASES, APPLIES TO PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER PURSUANT