

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the ) APPLICATION NO. LR-269  
Prescription of Reasonable Rates )  
and Charges for Motor Carriers ) GRANTED ON AN EMERGENCY  
Passengers and Property for Hire ) BASIS  
subject to the Provisions of )  
Neb. Rev. Stat. (Reissue 1996), ) ENTERED: MARCH 29, 2006  
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On February 16, 2006, Dwaine A. & Deborah Trease dba Special Moments Limousines, Clearwater, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its limousine rates through an addition of a rate for a 200 inch Excursion and an empty mile surcharge adjustment schedule as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Rate</u>
Specialty Limousines:	
3. Excursion (200 inch Stretch)	\$250.00
Mileage Charges:	
1. A mileage charge will be assessed on all runs from Clearwater and outside Grand Island city limits. Charge applies to empty mile only.	\$0.60 per/mile

This rate is subject to adjustment in the following schedule:

<u>Gasoline cost at time of booking</u>	<u>Charge</u>
\$2.20	\$0.60/mile

For each ten (\$0.10) cent increase in gasoline cost, the mileage charge to increase five (\$0.05) cents per mile.

Emergency action is requested.

The Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1515. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers by limousine between points in Hall, Adams, Buffalo, Merrick, Howard, Greeley, York, Hamilton, Dawson, Polk, Nance, Sherman, Valley, Webster, Clay, Nuckolls, Kearney, Harlan, and Frank counties and between points in said counties,

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on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. SUPP. 1: Passengers and their baggage by limousine between points in Antelope, Furnas, Red Willow, Phelps, Gosper, Frontier, Lincoln, Custer, Thayer, Jefferson, Gage, Fillmore, Saline, Sward, Butler, Platte, Boone, Wheeler, Garfield, Loup Blaine, Brown, Keya Paha, Rock, Boyle, Holt, Knox, and Pierce counties and points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. SUPP. 2: passengers and their baggage by limousine between points in Cedar, Dixon, Dakota, Thurston, Wayne, Madison, Stanton, Cuming, Burt, Colfax, Dodge, Washington, Saunders, Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster, and Richardson counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes.

According to the Applicant, the proposed rate for the Excursion 200 inch stretch limousine is based on vehicle costs, depreciation, administration, insurance and other expenses related to operating a transportation business. The proposed rate is believed to be comparable to other vehicles of this type, and sufficient to produce a reasonable profit and still maintain a quality service.

The Applicant proposes that the empty-mile charge approved by the Commission for this certificate holder be amended to allow for an increase in this charge based upon the cost of gasoline. The proposed schedule would increase the mileage charge five cents for every ten cent increase in the cost of gasoline with a baseline of sixty cents per mile with gasoline at \$2.20 per gallon. The Commission is aware of the significant impact of gasoline costs on transportation providers. The Commission finds that the proposed schedule is reasonable and should be approved.

Upon consideration of the application and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the application should be granted on an emergency basis effective April 7, 2006.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Dwaine A. & Deborah Trease dba Special Moments Limousine, Clearwater, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its limousine rates for its use as follows:

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Rate</u>
<u>Vehicle Size</u>	
1. 48 inch or smaller limousine	\$65.00 per/hour
2. 60-69 inch limousine	\$70.00 per/hour
3. 100-109 inch limousine	\$75.00 per/hour
4. 110-119 inch limousine	\$80.00 per/hour
5. 120-139 inch limousine	\$90.00 per/hour
6. 140-159 inch limousine	\$110.00 per/hour
7. 169-179 inch limousine	\$120.00 per/hour
8. 180-200 inch limousine	\$130.00 per/hour

**Specialty Limousines:**

1. Excalibur (48 inch stretch)	\$80.00 per/hour
2. F-350 Dually Truck (180 inch stretch)	\$160.00 per/hour
3. Excursion (200 inch stretch)	\$250.00 per/hour

**Mileage Charges:**

1. A mileage charge will be assessed on all runs from Clearwater and outside Grand Island city limits. Charge applies to empty mile only. \$0.60 per/mile

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2. A flat mileage charge will be assessed within Grand Island. \$ 15.00

**Waiting Time:**

Waiting charge in lieu of any other charges while vehicle is idle. Waiting time only applies when vehicle has been idle for a minimum of 1 hour. \$30.00 per/hour

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 29th day of March, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

*Lowell C. Johnson*

ATTEST:

*Lowell C. Johnson*  
Chairman  
*Frank E. Landis*  
Executive Director

//s// Lowell C. Johnson  
//s// Frank E. Landis

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