

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the	)	APPLICATION NO. BR-314
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: MAY 2, 2006
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.	)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPININON AND FINDINGS

On April 25, 2006, MAVM Ventures, Inc., d/b/a A & B Shuttle, Omaha, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its open class rates for its use as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
FUEL SURCHARGE: \$1.00 per trip when the price of gasoline is above \$1.95 per gallon. \$2.00 per trip when the price of gasoline is above \$2.55 per gallon. \$3.00 per trip when the price of gasoline is above \$2.95 per gallon.	

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1558. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage by chauffer-driven motor home between points in Douglas, Sarpy, and Lancaster counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Supplement 1 authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage by chauffer-driven van between points in Douglas, Sarpy and Lancaster counties over irregular routes.

The Applicant last received a rate increase in August of 2005. At that time, the price of gasoline had reached nearly \$2.30 per gallon. As of the time of this order, the price of gasoline is at or above \$2.90 per gallon. This is an increase of twenty-six percent in nine months. This increase in the costs of gasoline affects the Applicant as well as its employees, who are paid by the trip and are responsible for the gasoline charges.

The Applicant states that the requested increase in the surcharge is primarily based upon the fact that the Applicant's vans use approximately two gallons of gas per trip. Therefore, each fifty cent increase in the price of gas costs on average an additional \$1.00, which is the amount of the proposed surcharge. The Applicant states to the Commission that most of

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the proposed surcharge will go directly to the drivers, with a small amount being kept by the Applicant for administrative expenses.

The Commission is aware of the large increase in gasoline costs that have been incurred by companies such as the Applicant due to current gasoline pricing. The Commission finds that the recent substantial increases constitute an emergency situation that requires an immediate response. The application is filed in compliance with Sections 75-308 (Rates) and 75-121 (Emergency Rate Orders) R.R.S. 2003 and the Commission rules.

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 effective May 5, 2006.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective May 5, 2006 MAVM Ventures, Inc., d/b/a A & B Shuttle, Omaha, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its open class rates for its use as follows:

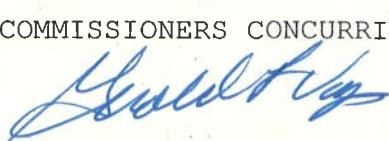
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that public notice of this action be published in the Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, pursuant to the provisions of Section 75-121, R.R.S. 2004, and the Commission's rules.

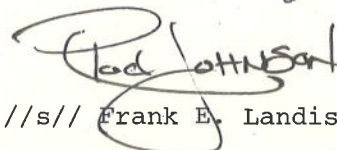
MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director  
//s// Frank E. Landis