

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Prescription	)	APPLICATION NO. BR-316
of Reasonable Rates and Charges	)	
for Motor Carriers Passengers and	)	GRANTED
Property for Hire Subject to the	)	
Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat.	)	ENTERED: July 25, 2006
(Reissue 1996), Chapter 75,	)	
Articles 1 and 3.	)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

On May 29, 2006, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to raise its rates for its use as follows:

Description	(See Notes)	Proposed Rate
A.	Between Eppley Airfield, Omaha, And Lied Conference Center, Nebraska City	\$22.50
B.	Between Lincoln Airport, Lincoln And Lied Conference Center, Nebraska City	\$22.50

Note: Transportation rates are per person one-way.

Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 9, 2006, pursuant to the Commission's rules. The application was not protested.

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1606. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers by van, between points in Otoe County and between points within said county, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska under continuing contracts with the Lied Conference Center. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized, and transportation passengers shall only be registered guests at the Lied Conference Center.

According to the Applicant, they have experienced significant increases in gasoline costs and in the maintenance of its fleet. The proposed rates are necessary to cover these increased costs. The proposed rates are believed to be sufficient to produce a reasonable profit and still maintain a quality service.

The Commission is aware of the increased fuel costs that providers such as the Foundation have experienced in the last two years. Gasoline costs have increased to around three dollars per gallon as of the time of this order. This is in addition to increases in the cost of insurance as well. The Commission finds that the proposed rates are reasonable under current circumstances.

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The proposed rates are similar to rates on file for other carriers that are providing similar services. The application is filed in compliance with Section 75-308 (Rates) 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.

## ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective August 4, 2006, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to establish van rates for its use as follows:

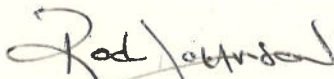
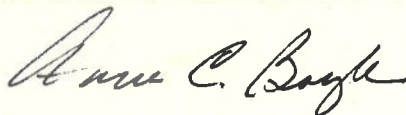
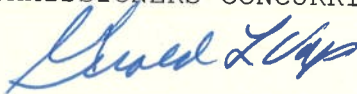
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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of July, 2006.

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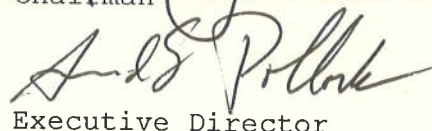
COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



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

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director