BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Prescrip-) APPLICATION NO. BR-378
tion of Reasonable Rates and)
Charges for Motor Carriers)
Passengers and Property for Hire	DENIED ON AN EMERGENCY
subject to the Provisions of	BASIS
Neb. Rev. Stat. (Reissue 2003),)
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.)
	ENTRERED: MARCH 22, 2011

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 1, 2011, Panda Transportation, Inc., Valentine, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its open class rates for its use as follows:

	Proposed
Description	Rates
In Town (0 to 10 miles) Up to 20 Miles Mileage (over 20 miles) Each additional passenger (over 20 miles) Escort/Matron	\$20/person \$40/person \$1.50/mile \$0.75/mile \$0.75/mile
After hours (8 p.m. to 8 a.m. and Holidays)	\$25.00
Wait time	\$7.50/15 minutes

Emergency action is requested.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1580. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers, including the transportation of Health and Human Services clients and prisoners in open class service by van between points in Sheridan, Cherry, Keya Paha, Brown, and Rock counties, on the one hand, and on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: Service for trips originating in Adams and Hall counties is not authorized.

The Applicant states that the requested increase in the rates are primarily based upon increases in operating costs. The Applicant cites that they have experienced these significant increases in costs since their last rate increase in 2006.

The Commission finds that the Applicant must provide more evidence before any action may be taken on the application. Further, the Commission notes that the requested increases range up to a two hundred percent increase in some of the rates. We

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therefore find that the application should be denied on an emergency basis.

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 denied on an emergency basis and that said matter be processed in accordance with the Commission's regular procedures and Section 75-119. R.R.S. 2010, as amended.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the matter docketed in Application No. BR-314 be, and it hereby is, denied on an emergency basis and that said matter be processed in accordance with the Commission's regular procedures and Section 75-119, R.R.S. 2010, as amended.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 22nd day of March, 2011.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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ATTEST:

Chairman

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//s// Frank E. Landis
//s// Tim Schram

Executive Director