# SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application ) Application No. B-1994 of SNP Consulting Services, LLC, ) Elkhorn, seeking authority as a ) contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by ) van in open class service between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular ) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION routes pursuant to a contract ) AS AMENDED with the Nebraska Department of ) Health and Human Services, a Medicaid-managed care organization under contract with ) NDHHS, or another agent working ) on behalf of NDHHS. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation ) of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. ) HHS Designation: Yes. ) Entered: July 28, 2020

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 18, 2019, SNP Consulting Services, LLC ("Applicant"), Elkhorn, filed an application seeking authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passenger by van in open class service between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular routes pursuant to a contract with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized and HHS Designation is yes. Notice of the application was published in <a href="The Daily Record">The Daily Record</a>, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 13, 2019.

On June 25, 2019, timely protests were filed by Camelot Transportation, Inc.; Triumph Transportation, Inc.; WHC NE, LLC d/b/a zTrip; WHC NE, LLC d/b/a Cornhusker Cab Company and zTrip; WHC NE, LLC d/b/a Happy Cab and zTrip; WHC NE, LLC d/b/a Checker Cab Company and zTrip; WHC NE, LLC d/b/a Yellow Cab Company and zTrip; and WHC NE, LLC d/b/a Safeway Cabs and zTrip (together, "Protestants"). Protests were granted on November 26, 2019.

A hearing was scheduled for January 29, 2020. Prior to the hearing, the Commission was information that the parties had

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reached a proposed settlement and that a hearing was not necessary.

On February 4, 2020, the Parties filed a Stipulated Motion to Amend the Application and Motions for Leave to Withdraw Protests and Withdrawals of Protests, which was granted on February 20, 2020 as follows:

#### SERVICE AND TERRITORY SOUGHT:

CONTRACT: Contract carrier services for the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services by van in open class between points in Douglas and Sarpy Counties, only, over irregular routes, including a designation to provide services for the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

### RESTRICTIONS:

- a. Maximum of two vans, one of which may be wheelchair accessible;
- b. Service must both originate and terminate within Douglas or Sarpy counties only; and
- c. Service may only be provided pursuant to contracts with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services or an agent working on its behalf.
- d. HHS Designation: Yes.

Application No. B-1994 was then processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

Applicant is a Nebraska Limited Liability Company with its principal business office in Elkhorn, Nebraska. Applicant is registered as a transportation services provider with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services ("NDHHS"), which enables Applicant to enter into service provider agreements with NDHHS, a Medicaid-managed care organization under contract with NDHHS, or another agent working on behalf of NDHHS.

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After due consideration of the evidence and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds:

- 1. Applicant is fit, willing, and able properly to perform the service proposed and to conform to the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-301 to 75-322 (Reissue 2018) and the requirements, rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.
- 2. Upon compliance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-305 (fees) and 75-307 (insurance) (Reissue 2018), and with the rules and regulations of the Commission, a Permit of Authority should be issued as follows:

### PERMIT AUTHORIZED

#### SERVICE AND TERRITORY AUTHORIZED:

CONTRACT: Transportation of passengers by van in open class between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular routes, pursuant to a contract with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, a Medicaid-managed care organization under contract with NDHHS, or another agent working on behalf of NDHHS. RESTRICTIONS: Maximum of two vans, one of which may be wheelchair accessible. Service must both originate and terminate within Douglas or Sarpy counties only. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes.

3. The application should be approved.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. B-1994 be, and it is hereby, granted as amended; and that upon compliance with the terms and conditions set for in the Order, a Permit of Authority shall be issued to SNP Consulting Services, LLC, Elkhorn, Nebraska in Application No. B-1994, authorizing the operations set forth in the foregoing findings.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall not be issued the Permit of Authority authorized by the Commission unless and until Applicant has fully complied, within a reasonable time from the effective date of this Order, with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-305 (fees), 75-307 (insurance), and 75-308 (rates), (Reissue 2018), and with the rules and regulations of the Commission; and if upon expiration of such time, Applicant has not complied with such terms and conditions, this Order shall, after reasonable notice to Applicant, be of no further force and effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Applicant shall not conduct operations until a Permit of Authority is issued.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the operations authorized herein shall be subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations which have been, or may hereafter be, prescribed by the Commission.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this  $28^{\rm th}$  day of July, 2020.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director