

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the) Application No. BR-595/B-1705
Application of Champion Homes)
of Hastings, LLC, Hastings,)
seeking to establish its rates) ORDER GRANTING RATES ON
and charges subject to the) AN EMERGENCY BASIS
Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat.)
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.)
) Entered: February 17, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 3, 2021, Champion Homes of Hastings, LLC ("Applicant"), Hastings, filed an application for authority to amend its rates as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Wait Time - waiting for a patient to finish a non-emergency appointment	\$12.50/hour

Emergency action is requested.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

Applicant is a Nebraska Limited Liability Company with its principal business address in Hastings, Nebraska. Applicant was granted authority under Application No. B-1705 to transport passengers and their baggage that are clients of Champion Homes of Hastings, LLC, between points in Adams county, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation is yes.

In its application, Applicant is seeking to add a wait-time charge to its existing rates. The proposed charge would be for \$12.50 an hour. The charge would be applicable to any instance when Applicant's drivers must remain at a drop-off location and wait until after a client's appointment has been completed to provide a return trip to that client. Applicant is not amending any other rates on its rate schedule.

In applications such as these, the Commission must find that an emergency situation exists. Such a situation exists in this application, as Applicant's drivers tend to be required to wait for long periods of time to provide return trips and Applicant has no ability to alleviate the expenses associated with such waiting. These costs are further exacerbated during COVID-19 where it is

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already difficult to meet expenses. The Commission therefore finds that an emergency basis exists that allows the Commission to grant the application 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 granted on an emergency basis effective February 17, 2021.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Champion Homes of Hastings, LLC, Hastings, be, and is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its services effective February 17, 2021 as follows:

Description

Rate

Wait Time - waiting for a patient to finish a non-emergency appointment

\$12.50/hour

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that public notice of this action be published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, pursuant to the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 75-121 and Commission rules.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 17th day of February, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rod Johnson
Crystal Brader
Mary Kadden
Tim Schram

Don W. Johnson
Chair

ATTEST:

Michael S. Hyatt
Executive Director