

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of WADD I, LLC) Application No. BR-608/B-1745
d/b/a Wings of Love, Omaha,)
seeking to establish its rates) ORDER GRANTING RATES ON AN
and charges subject to the) EMERGENCY BASIS
Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat.)
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.) Entered: May 11, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 3, 2021, WADD I, LLC d/b/a Wings of Love, ("Applicant"), Omaha, filed an application for authority to amend its rates for use in its operations as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Current</u>
Intra-city Omaha Metro:	
One Way Trip	\$18.50
Round Trip	\$37.00
Commercial Wheelchair Van, Non-emergency Transportation	\$45.00
Idle/Wait Charge:	\$15.00 for 15 minutes
Charges starting with minute 16:	No charge for 10 minute wait \$5.00 for 20 minute wait \$15.00 for 30 minute wait
Charges Outside Omaha Metro:	
Mileage Charge	\$1.75/mile
<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
One Way Trip	\$23.00
Round Trip	\$46.00
Commercial Wheelchair Van, Non-emergency Transportation	\$55.00
Mileage Charge	\$2.00/mile
Idle/Wait Charge:	\$15.00 for 15 minutes
Charges starting with minutes 16:	No charge for 10 minute wait \$5.00 for 20 minute wait \$15.00 for 30 minute wait

Emergency action is request.

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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 address in Omaha, Nebraska. Applicant is a certified carrier that holds Certificate B-1745. The certificate authorizes Applicant to provide transportation of passengers by van in open class service between points in Douglas County and Sarpy County. Operations are authorized to commence or terminate at locations found within Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster and Washington Counties with no restrictions as to the number of vehicles. Point-to-point transportation service within Lancaster County is not authorized. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. The HHS Designation is yes. The most recent certificate was granted on February 12, 2013.

Applicant is seeking to amend its existing rates previously granted under Rate Docket BR-520.¹ Applicant is seeking to eliminate the distinction in its rates between trips taking place within the Omaha Metro city limits and those taking place outside of the Omaha Metro city limits. Further, Applicant seeks to increase its base rate to initiate a trip for both one-way trips and wheelchair trips by \$4.50 and \$10.00 respectively. Applicant also seeks to increase its round-trip charge by \$9.00. In addition, Applicant seeks to increase its per mile charge by \$0.25, which would be charged starting at the first mile of the trip. Applicant does not seek to change its idle/wait charge. A review of Applicant's proposed rates in comparison to rates offered by similar carriers for similar services finds that the proposed rates are reasonable.

In applications such as these, the Commission must find that an emergency situation exists. In its request, Applicant states the company is attempting to avoid the loss of its drivers that may come without a rate increase. Applicant also states that these rates will allow the company to make a profit to avoid any financial detriment. Therefore, the Commission 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

¹ Application No. BR-520/B-1745 *In the Matter of the Application of WADD I, LLC d/b/a Wings of Love, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3, Order Granting Rates (Entered: March 21, 2017).*

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the application should be granted on an emergency basis effective May 11, 2021.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that WADD I, LLC d/b/a Wings of Love, Omaha, Nebraska, be, and is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its services effective May 11, 2021 as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Rates</u>
One Way Trip	\$23.00
Round Trip	\$46.00
Commercial Wheelchair Van, Non-emergency Transportation	\$55.00
Mileage Charge	\$2.00/mile
Idle/Wait Charge:	\$15.00 for 15 minutes
Charges starting with minutes	No charge for 10 minute wait
16:	\$5.00 for 20 minute wait
	\$15.00 for 30 minute wait

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

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 11th day of May, 2021

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rod Johnson
Crystal Broadie
Mary Kadden
Tim Schram

Don Waters
Chair

ATTEST:

Michael S. Hyl
Executive Director