

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the) APPLICATION NO. TR-221/
Application of Action Taxi &) B-1582/B-1902
Limo, Inc. and AA Cabbies, Inc.)
d/b/a Siouxland Taxi, Sioux)
City, Iowa, seeking to) ORDER GRANTING RATES ON AN
establish its rates and charges) EMERGENCY BASIS
subject to the Provisions of)
Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75,)
Articles 1 and 3.) ENTERED: June 8, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 25, 2021, Action Taxi & Limo, Inc. and AA Cabbies, Inc. d/b/a Siouxland Taxi ("Applicants"), Sioux City, Iowa, filed an application for authority to amend rates for taxi services as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Meter Rates:		
First 1/10 th mile	\$2.00	\$2.20
Each additional 1/10 th mile	\$0.23	\$0.25
Cab hired by the hour	\$30.00	\$50.00
No service charge	\$5.00	\$6.00

Minimum Rates:		
Veterans Bridge to 21 st Street	\$6.00	\$6.50
21 st Street to 39 th Street	\$7.00	\$7.50
Best Value Inn	\$11.00	\$12.00
Dakota City, NE	\$13.00	\$14.00
Lake Village, Atokad, Tomkins	\$13.00	\$14.00
Addition and BPI		
Wait time	\$30.00/hour	No Change
Note: Driver will wait for the passenger for seven (7) minutes after arrival at pick-up location. Wait time begins after seven (7) minutes.		

Fuel Surcharge currently begins at \$4.00/gallon and will be replaced as follows:

<u>Price/Gallons</u>	<u>Surcharge</u>
Under \$1.70	\$0
\$1.70-\$3.00	\$0.30
\$3.00-\$3.30	\$0.45
\$3.30-\$3.60	\$0.60
\$3.60-\$3.90	\$0.75

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application No. TR-221/B-1582/B-1902

Page 2

Note: fuel surcharge will increase \$0.15 for every \$0.30 increase in fuel price starting at \$3.00/gallon

Emergency action is requested.

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

Applicants are Iowa corporations with principal places of business in Sioux City, Iowa. Applicants are common carriers that provide transportation to passengers by taxicab between points in Dakota, Dixon, Thurston, and Wayne counties and between said counties on one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Each Applicant holds HHS Designation.

In the application, Applicants seek to amend and replace existing rates previously granted under Rate Dockets TR-206 and TR-207.¹ Applicants' proposed rate increase in the drop rate and mileage rate result in a 10% increase from the previously approved rates. Existing minimum charges in and around South Sioux City, Nebraska would increase between \$0.50 and \$1.00. Finally, Applicant's fuel surcharges are proposed to be implemented when the price of fuel per gallon is \$1.70 instead of the current start point of \$4.00 per gallon. Under the proposed fuel surcharge, the surcharge would increase \$0.15 for every \$0.30 increase in fuel price when the price of fuel hits \$3.00. Charges for wait time remain unchanged. A review of Applicants' 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. Such a situation exists in this application, as Applicants state that they have absorbed increases in several costs such as fuel and labor since the last rate increase for each carrier in 2016. Applicant should be placed in a position to improve its revenue and operations as soon as possible.

¹ See Application No. TR-206/B-1582 *In the Matter of Action Taxi & Limo, Inc., Sioux City, Iowa, in the prescription of reasonable rates and charges for motor carriers of passengers and property for hire subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3, Granted on an Emergency Basis* (Entered August 2, 2016) and Application No. TR-207/B-1902 *In the Matter of AA Cabbies, Inc., d/b/a Siouxland Taxi, Sioux City, Iowa, in the prescription of reasonable rates and charges for motor carriers of passengers and property for hire subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3, Granted on an Emergency Basis* (Entered August 16, 2016).

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application No. TR-221/B-1582/B-1902

Page 3

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 June 8, 2021.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Action Taxi & Limo, Inc. and AA Cabbies, Inc. d/b/a Siouxland Taxi, Sioux City, Iowa, be, and are hereby, authorized to amend rates for its taxi services effective June 8, 2021, as follows:

Description

Rate

Meter Rates:

First 1/10 th mile	\$2.20
Each additional 1/10 th mile	\$0.25
Cab hired by the hour	\$50.00
No service charge	\$6.00

Minimum Rates:

Veterans Bridge to 21 st Street	\$6.50
21 st Street to 39 th Street	\$7.50
Best Value Inn	\$12.00
Dakota City, NE	\$14.00
Lake Village, Atokad, Tomkins Addition and BPI	\$14.00
Wait time	\$30.00/hour

Note: Driver will wait for the passenger for seven (7) minutes after arrival at pick-up location. Wait time begins after seven (7) minutes.

Fuel Surcharge:

Price/Gallons

Surcharge

Under \$1.70	\$0
\$1.70-\$3.00	\$0.30
\$3.00-\$3.30	\$0.45
\$3.30-\$3.60	\$0.60
\$3.60-\$3.90	\$0.75

Note: fuel surcharge will increase \$0.15 for every \$0.30 increase in fuel price starting at \$3.00/gallon

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application No. TR-221/B-1582/B-1902

Page 4

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of June, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rod Johnson
Crystal Swader
Mary Keddin
Tim Schram

Don Watson
Chair

ATTEST:

Michael S. Hyatt
Executive Director