

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the) Application No. B-2018.03r
Application of Compassion)
Senior Services d/b/a)
Compassion Care Medical) ORDER GRANTING RATES ON
Transport, Omaha, seeking to) EMERGENCY BASIS
establish its rates and)
charges subject to the)
Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat.)
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.) Entered: November 2, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 25, 2021, Compassion Senior Services d/b/a Compassion Care Medical Transport ("Applicant"), Omaha, filed an application for authority to amend its rates by eliminating all previously granted rates and replacing those rates as follows:

Description

Current

One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$35.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00/trip
Weekend/Holiday - One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$45.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00

Description

Proposed

One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$40.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00/trip
Weekend/Holiday - One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$45.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00

Emergency action is requested.

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Applicant is a Nebraska Limited Liability Company with its principal business address in Omaha, Nebraska. Applicant is a certified carrier that holds Certificate B-2018. The Certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers by sedan and van between points in Douglas, Dodge, Sarpy, Washington, and Cass counties over irregular routes. HHS Designation is yes. Applicant is also authorized to provide transportation of passengers by sedan, van, and SUV in open class service between points in Lancaster and Saunders counties, and between said counties over irregular routes. HHS Designation is no.

Applicant is seeking to amend its existing rates previously granted under Docket B-2018.01r.¹ Applicant is seeking an increase in its one-way trip charge by \$5.00. Applicant does not propose any other changes to its current rates. 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. Such a situation exists in this application, as Applicant has determined that its current rates does not properly account for increased fuel costs, upkeep and maintenance of vehicles, employee wages, and other administrative costs. Applicant realized the need to recalculate its rates immediately after the granting of its rates on October 19, 2021 and wishes to begin recovering costs under the new rates as soon as possible. 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 the application should be granted on an emergency basis effective November 2, 2021.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Compassion Senior Services d/b/a Compassion Care

¹ See Docket No. B-2018.01r *In the Matter of Compassion Care Senior Services, LLC d/b/a Compassion Care Medical Transport, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3., Order Amending Rates on Emergency Basis* (Entered: October 19, 2021).

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Medical Transport, Omaha, Nebraska, be, and is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its services effective November 2, 2021 as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Rates</u>
One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$40.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00/trip
Weekend/Holiday - One Way Trip	
First 5 miles	\$45.00
Each additional mile	\$3.50/mile
Cancellation Fee	\$30.00

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 2nd day of November, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rock Johnson
Crystal Broadie
Mary Kiddy
Tim Schram

Don Watson
Chair

ATTEST:

Shanice Khutson
Deputy Director