## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Abbott Transportation, Inc., Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers and their baggage by bus (15 passengers or less) ) (a) between Eppley Airfield and hotels and motels in Douglas and Sarpy Counties) over irregular routes; and (b) in special party operations between points ) in Douglas and Sarpy Counties over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. ) Entered: August 3, 1999

) Application No. B-1505

MOTION FOR HEARING CONTINUANCE DENIED

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

By application filed May 3, 1999, Abbott Transportation, Inc., of Omaha, seeks authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers and their baggage by bus (15 passengers or less) between Eppley Airfield and hotels and motels in Douglas and Sarpy Counties, and also in special party operations between points in Douglas and Sarpy Counties over irregular routes. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 5, 1999. Protests were filed by Happy Cab Company of Omaha, and R & F Hobbies, Inc., dba Prince of the Road of Lincoln.

A video hearing in the matter was set for July 28, 1999, at 9:30 a.m., at the Nebraska Public Service Commission Library, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, and at the Nebraska State Office Building, 1st Floor, Room 134, 1313 Farnam-on-the-Mall, Omaha, Nebraska. On June 23, 1999, the video hearing was continued until August 12, 1999, at 9:30 a.m., at the same The continuance was made at the request of the applicant, with the consent of each of the protestors.

On July 13, 1999, Happy Cab Company filed a motion for continuance of the hearing until early September. The Commission has a responsibility to every applicant to handle each application expeditiously and with minimal unnecessary delay. Granting an additional continuance would only serve to impede the processing of application filed over three months ago. Therefore, the Commission is of the opinion that this proceeding should not be subject to any further delays and the motion for continuance should be denied.

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## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the motion for a continuance of the August 12, 1999, hearing in Application No. B-1505 be, and it is hereby, denied.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 3rd day of August, 1999.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Anne C. Boyle
//s//Lowell C. Johnson
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//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

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ATTEST:

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