BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Memorial Health Care System dba MHCS) Transport System, Seward, seeking) authority as a common carrier in Nebraska)	APPLICATIO	NO.	B-15	521
intrastate commerce in the transportation) of passengers in vehicles specially modified for patients requiring stretchers or gurney between points in Seward County and between points within said county on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over	GRANTED			
irregular routes.	ENTERED:	MARCH	21,	2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

By application filed January 31, 2000, Memorial Health Care System dba MHCS Transport System, Seward, Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as applicant, seeks a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a common carrier of passengers by motor vehicle as follows:

AUTHORITY SOUGHT

Passengers in vehicles specially modified for patients requiring stretchers or gurney between points in Seward County and between points within said county on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes.

Notice of the application was published in <u>The Daily Record</u>, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 2, 2000, pursuant to the rules of the Commission.

Since no protest was filed, Application B-1521 was processed pursuant to Rule 018.03 of the rules of procedure of the Commission.

After due consideration of the evidence and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds:

- 1. Applicant is fit, willing, and able properly to perform the service proposed and to conform to the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat., Sections 75-301 to 75-322, (Reissue 1996), and the requirements, rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.
- 2. The proposed intrastate service is or will be required by the present or future Public Convenience and Necessity to the following extent:

CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZED

SERVICE AND TERRITORY AUTHORIZED:
Passengers in vehicles specially modified for patients requiring stretchers or gurney between points in Seward County and between points within said county on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes.

3. The application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application B-1521 be, and it is hereby, granted; and that upon compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity shall be issued to Memorial Health Care System dba MHCS Transport System, Seward, Nebraska, in Application B-1521, authorizing the operations set forth in the foregoing findings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall not be issued the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorized by the Commission unless and until applicant has fully complied, within a reasonable time from the effective date of this Order, with Neb. Rev. Stat., Sections 75-305 (fees), 75-307 (insurance), and 75-308 (rates), (Reissue 1996), and with the rules and regulations of the Commission; and if upon expiration of such time applicant has not complied with such terms and conditions, this Order shall, after reasonable notice to applicant, be of no further force and effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall not conduct operations until a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is issued.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall render reasonably continuous and adequate service to the public pursuant to the authority authorized.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorized shall be subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations which have been, or may hereafter be, prescribed by the Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 21st day of March, 2000.

COMMISSAONERS CONSURRING:

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Executive/Director

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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