BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Upper Nile Staff, Inc., Omaha, seeking authority as a contract carrier in) APPLICATION NO. B-1550))
Nebraska intrastate commerce in the)
transportation of passengers by)
passenger van between points in) GRANTED
Douglas and Sarpy Counties over)
irregular routes under continuing)
contract with Nebraska Department of)
Health and Human Services) ENTERED: MARCH 20, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

By application filed January 24, 2001, Upper Nile Staff, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as applicant, seeks a permit to operate as a contract carrier of passengers by motor vehicle as follows:

AUTHORITY SOUGHT

Transportation of passengers by passenger van between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular routes under continuing contract with Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Notice of the application was published in <u>The Daily Record</u>, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 6, 2001, pursuant to the rules of the Commission.

Since no protest was filed, Application B-1550 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 75-322.04, (Reissue 1996), and the requirements, rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and that the proposed operation, to the extent authorized by the permit, will be consistent with the public interest.
- 2. A permit should be issued in Application B-1550 authorizing the following operations:

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PERMIT AUTHORIZED

SERVICE AND TERRITORY AUTHORIZED:
Transportation of passengers by passenger van between points in
Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular routes under continuing
contract with Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

3. The application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application B-1550 be, and it is hereby, granted; and that upon compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, a contract carrier permit shall be issued to Upper Nile Staff, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, in Application B-1550, authorizing the operations set forth in the foregoing findings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall not be issued the Contract Carrier Permit 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 Contract Carrier Permit 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 permit 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 20th day of March, 2001.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

Executive Dimector

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

//s//Frank E. Landis //s//Daniel G. Urwiller

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