

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application ) Application No. B-1622  
of Airlink Services, Inc., )  
seeking authority as a common )  
carrier of passengers in taxicab )  
service by sedans and vans over ) PLANNING CONFERENCE ORDER  
irregular routes between points ) AND NOTICE OF HEARING  
in Dakota, Thurston, and Dixon )  
Counties, including clients of )  
the Department of Health and )  
Human Services and )  
subcontractors thereof. ) Entered: May 20, 2003

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On March 21, 2003, an application was filed by Airlink Services, Inc., (Applicant) seeking authority as a passenger carrier pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 75-310. A protest was timely filed by Action Taxi & Limo, Inc (Protestant).

In order to process the application, a planning conference was held in this matter on May 12, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska and via telephone conference with the Applicant and Protestant. The following persons were present at the conference: Brad Kistler, counsel for the Applicant; Daniel Dykstra, counsel for the Protestant; and Laura Davenport, counsel for the Commission.

As a result of the planning conference, several issues were decided. Therefore, this order serves to memorialize those decisions and to provide a timeline for proceeding in this docket.

| Deadline      | Event   |
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| June 4, 2003  | All written discovery served. No further written discovery between the parties shall take place after this date.  |
| June 18, 2003 | Answers to Interrogatories and Responses to Requests for Production and Responses to Requests for Admissions are due.   |
| July 9, 2003  | All depositions completed. If parties seek to settle, settlement achieved and Commission notified to cancel hearing. <b>Hearings cancelled after this date are subject to</b> |

**applicable hearing fee.**

July 16, 2003 Any stipulations and exhibits must be exchanged by the parties and filed with the Commission. Final witness lists exchanged by the parties and filed with the Commission. Any requests for subpoenas shall be filed in writing with the Commission. No requests for subpoenas will be accepted after this date.

July 21, 2003 9:00 a.m. Any requests for a continuation or cancellation of a video conference hearing must be made to the Commission at least 48 hours prior to the start of the hearing. The party failing to give timely notification will be responsible for payment of all charges incurred as a result of improper notification. All fees incurred must be paid before future hearings will be scheduled.

Finally, the hearing in Application No. B-1622 will be held on July 23, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Library, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska and via video conference at City Hall, 1615 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska.

A hearing fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each half day of hearing will be charged to the applicant payable upon billing from the Executive Director of the Public Service Commission (Neb. Rev. Stat. §75-128, Cum. Supp. 1996).

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the meeting, please call the Commission at (402)471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Commission at (402)471-0213 (TDD) or the Nebraska Relay System at (800)833-7352 (TDD) or (800)833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

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Any remaining pre-hearing issues that the parties would like to address should be brought before the Commission prior to hearing.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer in the above-captioned matter that the foregoing schedule for submission and service of the items discussed above is hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing in Application No. B-1622 will be held on July 23, 2003, at 9 a.m. in the Commission Library, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska and via video conference at City Hall, 1615 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20th day of May, 2003.

BY:



HEARING OFFICER

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