## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of Blair Blue Cab, | ) | Application No. B-1958 |
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| LLC, Blair, seeking authority    | ) |                        |
| for the use of electronic trip   | ) | GRANTED                |
| logging equipment pursuant to    | ) |                        |
| 291 NAC 3, §010.01E.             | ) |                        |
|                                  | ) | Entered: March 6, 2018 |

## BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 6, 2017, a request from Blair Blue Cab, LLC ("Applicant"), Blair, Nebraska, was filed with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking authority to use electronic trip logging equipment pursuant to 291 NAC 3, §010.01E.

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

Applicant is a common carrier holding a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide transportation of passengers by taxicab between points in Washington County, and between points in Washington County, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized, and HHS Designation is no. Title 291 NAC Ch. 3, Rule 010.01E of the Commission's Motor Carrier Rules and Regulations states,

All carriers shall maintain a trip log which shall contain the information prescribed in this section. Such log shall be completed following the delivery of the passengers to his or her destination and signed by the driver. The Commission may, upon application and written approval, allow for electronic filing and storing of the information required in this section provided that all of the information herein prescribed is included except that the full name of the driver may be filed in place of the signature. All records required by this section shall be retained by the carrier for a period of two (2) years from the date of the transportation of the passenger.

The rule goes on to require that the trip log contain the name and address of the person engaging or hiring the vehicle, the time and address where the passenger was picked up and dropped off, and the amount charged and collected for the trip.

In its November 6, 2017 letter, Applicant stated that it would like to use an electronic system which tracks mileage, trip time, locations, and routing information, and allows for

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categorization and notations. Additional information submitted by Applicant also notes that Applicant has a separate GPS tracking in the dash camera of the vehicle which shows the routes and timestamp for each recorded video, as well as displays the speed of the vehicle and senses and saves data related to any impact accidents. The system also enables Applicant to give riders printed receipts upon conclusion of their trip.

Upon consideration of the request, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that Blair Blue Cab, LLC's request to electronically file and store the information required by Commission Rule 010.01E is reasonable and should be granted. Blair Blue Cab may use its electronic system to file and store all information required by Commission Rule 010.01E. Although Blair Blue Cab's approved service territory has a population of less than fifteen thousand (15,000) persons and therefore is not required to comply with taximeter requirements of Commission Rule 010.02H, the electronic system described by the carrier will serve the same purpose as if a mounted taximeter were required.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the electronic trip log request pursuant to Title 291 NAC Ch. 3, Rule 010.01E sought by Blair Blue Cab, LLC, be, and is hereby, granted.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Mary Ridder

Executive Director