

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the ) APPLICATION NO. BR-330  
Prescription of Reasonable )  
Rates and Charges for Motor ) GRANTED AS MODIFIED ON AN  
Carriers Passengers and ) EMERGENCY BASIS  
Property for Hire subject to )  
the Provisions of Neb. Rev. ) ENTERED: NOVEMBER 6, 2007  
Stat. (Reissue 1996), Chapter  
75, Articles 1 and 3.

BY THE COMMISSION:

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

On October 30, 2007, Jone-Z Party Bus., Omaha, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to establish carter and special party rates for its use as follows:

Description	Proposed Rates
Standard Party Rates	\$100/hour
Out-of-Town Rates	\$100/hour Plus \$0.93/mile

All reservations require a \$100.00 deposit to reserve date.  
All deposits are non-refundable.

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1695. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage in charter and special party service by bus between points in Douglas, Sarpy, Cass, Saunders, Lancaster, Dodge and Washington counties and between points in said counties over irregular routes. HHS designation: No. The Certificate is restricted against the transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage. Service is restricted against the operation of luxury limousine service by limousine or bus, and forward facing seat coaches or shuttles.

According to the Applicant, the proposed rates are based on vehicle costs, depreciation, administration,

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insurance and other expenses related to operating a transportation business. The proposed rates are believed to be sufficient to produce a reasonable profit and still maintain a quality service.

Applicant recently received authority to transport passenger's for-hire as a bus provider. The Commission, in reviewing the application, discussed with the Applicant through staff an issue related to the non-refundable security deposits. After discussions with the Applicant, the Applicant agreed a modification the language regarding deposits to reflect that deposits are refundable if the arranged trip is cancelled by the Applicant. Deposits made for service cancelled by the customer would still be non-refundable if cancelled 30 days or less before a booking. The Applicant should be allowed to keep a \$25 processing fee if a booking is cancelled 31 days or more before the date of the booking.

The rates proposed are reasonable for the type of service provided. The application is filed in compliance with Sections 75-308 (Rates) and 75-121 (Emergency rate orders), R.R.S. 2003 and the Commission Rules.

Upon consideration of the application and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the application should be granted as modified on an emergency basis effective November 9, 2007.

## ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective November 9, 2007, Jone-Z Party Bus, Omaha, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to establish bus rates for its use as follows:

Description	Rates
Standard Party Rates	\$100/hour
Out-of-Town Rates	\$100/hour Plus \$0.93/mile

All reservations require a \$100.00 deposit to reserve date. All deposits are non-refundable if cancellation of a

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booking is made by the customer within 30 days of the booking date. Jone-Z Party Bus will keep a \$25 processing fee if customer cancels 31 days or more before the booking date. Deposits are refunded if the cancellation is caused by Jone-Z Party Bus.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that public notice of this action be published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska pursuant to the provisions of Sections 75-121, R.R.S. 2003 and the Commission's Rules.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 6th day of November, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



//s// Rod Johnson  
//s// Frank E. Landis  
//s// Tim Schram  
//s// Gerald Vap

ATTEST:

Chairman

  
Executive Director