

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the) APPLICATION NO. BR-408
Prescription of Reasonable Rates)
and Charges for Motor Carriers)
Passengers and Property for Hire) GRANTED ON AN EMERGENCY
Subject to the Provisions of) BASIS
Neb. Rev. Stat. (Reissue 2003),)
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.)
) ENTERED: SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPININON AND FINDINGS

On September 19, 2012, Emerald Limousine, Inc., Crescent, Iowa, filed an application for authority to amend rates for its use in its operations as follows:

Description	Proposed
Trolley Rates:	

Standard Rates:

1. Sunday through Thursday (1 hr minimum)	\$125/hr
2. Friday after 7 p.m. (2 hr minimum)	\$150/hr
3. Saturday after 7 p.m. (3 hr minimum)	\$150/hr
4. Split fees (based on splitting the run Into two sections)	\$50

Wedding Packages (1 hour minimum)

1. First Two hours	\$400
2. Each additional hour (Split fees do not apply)	\$150

Corporate Rates

1. First Hour	\$150
2. Billed for time used in hourly blocks	

Holidays, Special Events (Husker game days, concerts)

1. First Two hours	\$400
2. Each additional hour (Split fees do not apply)	\$150
3. Holiday light tours (2 hr minimum) (applies November 30 to January 2)	\$150/hr

Prom bookings have a three hour minimum.

Homecoming bookings have a four hour minimum.

Surcharges:

All runs are subject to a 5 percent and a fuel surcharge based on the following table when four (4) or more hours are booked:

Fuel Cost	Surcharge
\$3.76-4.00	8%
\$4.01-4.26	9%
\$4.27-4.50	10%
\$4.51-4.75	11%
\$4.76-5.00	12%
\$5.01-5.26	13%
\$5.27-5.50	14%
\$5.51-5.75	15%
\$5.76-6.00	16%

With every increase thereafter of \$0.05 the surcharge would increase by one percent.

Buy one hour get one hour free may be offered from January 1 to March 30 with a minimum of four hours booked.

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate Number B-1769. The certificate allows the Transportation of passengers by bus, statewide, over irregular routes intrastate Nebraska, and trolley, within a 250 mile radius of Omaha, Nebraska, over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: No.

The Applicant represents to the Commission that the proposed rates are based upon current market trends as well as the experience of the Applicant with its business bookings. The rates are anticipated to be competitive with other companies providing a similar service.

The Commission finds that the proposed rates are reasonable. They appear to be competitive with the rates as filed by other companies that the Applicant competes with and should be approved.

The Commission finds that any offers regarding a buy one hour get one hour free must be offered in advance and for a set

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time period. This time period may not be before January 1 or after March 30.

In applications such as these, the Commission must find that an emergency situation exists. Such a situation exists in this application as the Applicant should be placed in a position to use these rates in its operations so as to place itself in a competitive position.

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 on an emergency basis effective September 28, 2012.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective September 28, 2012, Emerald Limousine, Inc., Crescent, Iowa be, and it is hereby, authorized to establish rates for the following vehicles its use as follows:

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Surcharges:

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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 Section 75-121. R.R.S. 2008, and the Commission's Rules.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of September, 2012.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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//s//Frank E. Landis

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