

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of First Student,) Application No. BR-523/B-1809
Inc., Omaha, seeking to)
establish its rates and charges)
subject to the Provisions of) GRANTED ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS
Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75,)
Articles 1 and 3.)
) Entered: March 7, 2017

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On February 24, 2017, First Student, Inc. ("Applicant"), Omaha, filed an application for authority to amend its rates as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Hourly Rate (gate to gate):	\$45/hour	\$50/hour

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificated carrier that holds Certificate Number B-1809. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage by bus between points in Nebraska over irregular routes. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized, and the HHS designation is no. The application for authority was granted on May 16, 2012.

Applicant is seeking to amend its current rates for use with its Certificate by increasing its hourly rate from \$45 per hour to \$50 per hour. Applicant states that it is seeking the increase due to increased wages for its drivers. The Commission finds that the proposed rates are reasonable.

In applications such as these, the Commission must find that an emergency situation exists. Such a situation exists in this application as Applicant cannot begin to use the proposed rate until the Commission approves the application. Therefore, the Commission finds that an emergency basis exists that allows the Commission to grant the application on an emergency basis.

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 March 7, 2017.

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O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that First Student, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its services on an emergency basis effective March 7, 2017, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Hourly Rate (gate to gate):	\$50/hour

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 Neb. Rev. Stat. § 75-121 and Commission rules.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 7th day of March, 2017.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING

Mary Riddis

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//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Tim Schram

Tim Schram
Chairman

ATTEST:

Jeffrey L. Puley

Executive Director