

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the ) APPLICATION NO. LR-235  
Prescription of Reasonable Rates )  
and Charges for Motor Carriers ) GRANTED  
Passengers and Property for Hire )  
subject to the Provisions of ) ENTERED: OCTOBER 29, 2002  
Neb. Rev. Stat. (Reissue 1996), )  
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.

BY THE COMMISSION:

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

On August 19, 2002, Laidback Limousine, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its limousine rates through the addition of SUV limousine rates as follows:

Description	Proposed Rate
1. Standard Fare: 14 and 15 passenger SUVs	\$150/hour
2. Weddings (See Note)	
a. Two hours of service	\$400 flat rate
b. Three hours of service	\$450 flat rate

Note: Wedding packages include gratuity, just married sign, and red carpet.

Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 21, 2002 pursuant to the Commission rules. There were no protests filed.

The Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1577. The authority authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage by limousine between points in Douglas, Sarpy and Lancaster counties over irregular routes. The authority is restricted to limousine service as opposed to sedan service with service restricted at Omaha Eppley Airport to limousine service for prearranged rides only. It is also restricted against transportation originating in Lancaster County.

The Applicant states that it recently purchased two SUV Limousines, a 2002, 14-passenger Ford Excursion and a 2002, 15-passenger Chevrolet Suburban. Applicant purchased the vehicles for \$75,000 each. The proposed rates are necessary to cover the

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cost of insurance, fuel, vehicle maintenance, vehicle payments and still produce a reasonable profit. Applicant believes the quality of service will be enhanced with addition of the SUVs.

The proposed rates are competitive with the rates on file for other SUVs of similar size and capacity operating in the metropolitan Omaha area. According to the Applicant, the proposed rates are based on its investment in the vehicles; and what it believes is necessary to recoup its investment.

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.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Laidback Limousine, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its limousine rates through the addition of SUV limousine rates as follows:

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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//s//Anne C. Boyle

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Executive Director