

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	APPLICATION NO. LR-320
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 1996),)	
Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.)	
)	ENTERED: FEBRUARY 1, 2011

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On January 6, 2011, Leisure Limousine and Sedan Service, Inc., Lincoln, Nebraska filed an application for authority to amend current rates as attached.

Emergency action is requested.

The Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1718, which authorizes the transportation of passengers in Nebraska intrastate commerce to provide limousine service in sedan and luxury or stretch limousines between points in Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster and Washington counties over irregular routes. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized.

The proposed changes range from twenty to twenty-five percent. The last time that the Applicant received a general rate increase was in April of 2009. The Commission did approve the addition of an employee tax and workers compensation surcharge in September of 2009 of between \$14 and \$24, depending on the size of the vehicle.

The Applicant cited in its application that its insurance premiums, employee costs, increased overhead and fuel costs has been the moving factor behind its request.

The Commission is aware that the cost of gasoline has increased substantially in the last two months. The current per gallon cost of gasoline is higher than it has been since the summer and fall of 2008. Cost increases of this type will have a negative impact on the cash flow of a company such as the Applicant.

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The applicant cited increases in personnel costs, insurance costs, and storage costs as the major factors behind the request. The Applicant represented to Commission staff that it experienced an increase of 21 percent in insurance, 9 percent in personnel and 33 percent in storage costs. These increases are significant enough that they have a negative impact on the operations of carriers such as the Applicant. The Commission finds that the cost increases justifies the granting of this application on an emergency basis.

The proposed rates also include an adjustment to the fuel surcharge. The Applicant has proposed that the fuel surcharge be adjusted on an automatic fifteen percent basis for increase of fifty cents per gallon in the cost of fuel. The Commission finds that this adjustment is reasonable as gasoline prices have been volatile in the past few months and the Applicant needs the ability to address these increases in costs in a timely manner. The fuel surcharge allows the Applicant to recoup these costs when necessary when costs increase, but requires that the surcharge be reduced when process decline and thereby protect the riding clientele from paying too much when said process are down.

The proposed rates are similar and competitive with those rates authorized for use by other companies providing a similar service in its area. The Commission finds that these rates are reasonable.

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 February 11, 2011.

O R D E R

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective February 11, 2011, Leisure Limousine and Sedan Service, Inc., Lincoln, Lincoln, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its limousine rates for its use as attached.

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. 2003, and the Commission's rules.


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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 1st day of February, 2011.

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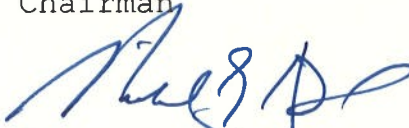
COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:




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


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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<u>Description (subject to Notes)</u>	<u>Rate</u>
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Weddings, Anniversaries, Birthday (One hour minimum)

Executive Sedan Service

1. First Hour	\$138
2. One Hour & Half (1½)	\$174
3. Two Hours	\$210
4. Split Time (1 Hr + 1 hr)	\$228

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$25.00 Mileage Fee.

6 Passenger

1. First Hour	\$186
2. One Hour & Half (1½)	\$234
3. Two Hours	\$318
4. Split Time (1 Hr + 1 hr)	\$360

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$40.00 Mileage Fee.

10 Passenger Stretch Sedan

1. First Hour	\$258
2. One Hour & Half (1½)	\$306
3. Two Hours	\$366
4. Split Time (1 Hr + 1 hr)	\$420

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$55.00 Mileage Fee.

14 Passenger (Ford Excursion, Escalade)

1. First Hour	\$384
2. One Hour & Half (1½)	\$450
3. Two Hours	\$516
4. Split Time (1 Hr + 1 hr)	\$588

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$75.00 Mileage Fee.

18 Passenger (HD 250)

1. First Hour	\$480
2. One Hour & Half (1½)	\$546
3. Two Hours	\$600
4. Split Time (1 Hr + 1 hr)	\$702

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All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$80.00 Mileage Fee.

Wedding package. Your time will start when we arrive at the church as designated by the renter. Wedding package includes napkins that are color coordinated to the brides wedding colors, red carpet roll out for the wedding party, complimentary champagne or non-alcohol champagne, magnetic signs that read "Just Married" and the drivers are in a tuxedo.

STANDARD RATES

Executive Sedan

Lincoln Airport to Lincoln City Limits	\$57
1. First Hour	\$81
2. Two Hours	\$144
3. Three Hours	\$200
4. Four Hours	\$243
5. Five Hours	\$294
6. Sixth hours (flat rate)	\$331
7. Each Hour over Six (6) Hours	\$31/hour
8. Split-time (based on 2 hr split [1 hr + 1 hr])	\$206
Split-time (based on 4 hr split [2 h2 = 2 hr])	\$356

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$15.00 Mileage Fee.

6 Passenger Executive SUV (2007 Cadillac Escalade ESV)

1. First Hour	\$162
2. Two Hours	\$250
3. Three Hours	\$350
4. Four Hours	\$425
5. Five Hours	\$506
6. Six hours (flat rate)	\$550
7. Each Hour over Six (6) Hours	\$50/hour
8. Wait time (must rent for 3 hour minimum)	\$44/hour
9. Split-time (based on 2 hr split [1 hr + 1 hr])	\$283
Split-time (based on 4 hr split [2 h2 = 2 hr])	\$394

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$40.00 Fuel Surcharge.

10 Passenger Limousine (two hour minimum)

1. First two hours	\$300
2. Three Hours	\$413
3. Four Hours	\$513
4. Five Hours	\$613

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5. Six hours (flat rate)	\$631
6. Each hour over six hours	\$ 56
7. Wait time (3 hour minimum rental)	\$ 50/hr
8. Split-time (based on 2 hr split [1 hr + 1 hr])	\$419
Split-time (based on 4 hr split [2 h2 = 2 hr])	\$688

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$65.00 Mileage Fee.

14 Passenger Ford Excursion and Escalade (two hour minimum)

1. First two hours	\$444
2. Third Hour	\$613
3. Fourth Hour	\$775
4. Fifth Hour	\$937
5. Six hours (flat rate)	\$994
6. Each hour over six hours	\$113
7. Wait time (3 hour minimum rental)	\$ 94/hr
8. Split-time (based on 2 hr split [1 hr + 1 hr])	\$494
Split-time (based on 4 hr split [2 h2 = 2 hr])	\$838

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$75.00 Fuel Surcharge.

18 Passenger SUV (F-250 HD Edition) (2 hour minimum)

1. First two hours	\$500
2. Three Hours	\$731
3. Four Hours	\$875
4. Five Hours	\$1037
5. Six hours (flat rate)	\$1100
6. Each hour over six hours	\$137
7. Wait time (3 hour minimum rental)	\$106/hr
8. Split-time (based on 2 hr split [1 hr + 1 hr])	\$556
Split-time (based on 4 hr split [2 h2 = 2 hr])	\$943

All trips originating 40 miles or more from Lincoln will be charged a \$80.00 Mileage Fee.

Fuel surcharges to increase as set forth below:

If fuel reaches \$3.50/gallon: Surcharge increase 15 percent

If fuel reaches \$4.00/gallon Surcharge increases additional 15 percent

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Each additional fifty cent (\$0.50) increase in gasoline costs per gallon increases the fuel surcharge 15 percent.

Workers Compensation and employee tax surcharge:

10 passenger vehicle	\$14.00/trip
10 passenger vehicle	\$19.00/trip
14 and 18 passenger vehicles	\$24.00/trip