# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska	·)	PI-110
Public Service Commission, on	)	
its own motion, seeking to	· )	ORDER OPENING DOCKET AND
investigate commuter	)	SEEKING COMMENT
transportation services between	)	
Omaha and Lincoln, Nebraska and	, )·	ENTERED: November 29, 2005
points in between.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

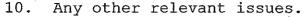
The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission), on its own motion, initiates this docket to investigate commuter transportation services between Omaha, Lincoln, Blair, Fremont, Wahoo and intervening points. In this investigation, the Commission seeks to explore the development of commuter accessible, common carrier transportation service for daily travel between Omaha, Lincoln, Blair, Fremont, Wahoo, and intervening points.

Specifically, the Commission seeks to determine how the public need for transportation may best be served and what framework could be created. In doing so, the Commission seeks comments regarding the following issues and any additional issues that should be considered.

- 1. Is there a need for a commuter service for daily travel between the communities of Omaha, Lincoln, Blair, Fremont, Wahoo, and intervening points?
- 2. How could a commuter service be structured, e.g. public versus private ownership or some combination of the two, which communities should be served?
- 3. Could a commuter service be incorporated into existing public and private transportation systems in the communities served?
- 4. How could a commuter service affect existing public and private transportation service providers?
- 5. How could the needs of citizens using a commuter service best be met?
- 6. What are the possible costs of a commuter service to a carrier(s) offering the service to passengers, local and state governments, and other carriers? What are the possible costs of a commuter service to the general public for its use of the service?
- 7. What licensing, authority, or certification may be necessary for a carrier offering a commuter service?
- 8. What infrastructure and equipment may be necessary for a commuter service?

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9. What funding sources, public and/or private, would be available for the development, creation, and operation of a commuter service?



Interested parties should file comments regarding the issues listed herein on or before **February 1, 2006**. Parties should file one original, five paper copies and one electronic copy with the Commission in Microsoft Word format. Electronic copies should be sent to <a href="mark.breiner@psc.ne.gov">mark.breiner@psc.ne.gov</a>.

The Commission will schedule a workshop at a date to be determined to discuss the issues outlined herein and any comments received.

#### ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above captioned investigation of transportation development in Nebraska be, and it is hereby opened.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that interested parties should file comments in the form of answers to the questions posed, on or before **February 1**, **2006**, in the manner prescribed herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 29th day of November, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s// Rod Johnson

//s// Frank E. Landis

Vice - Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director