SECRÈTARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	APPLICATION NO. TR-143
Prescription of Reasonable)	
Rates and Charges for Motor)	GRANTED ON AN
Carriers Passengers and)	EMERGENCY BASIS
Property for Hire Subject to)	
The provision of Neb. Rev. Stat.)	
(Reissue 2004), Chapter 75,)	ENTERED: April 5,2005
Articles 1 and 3.)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On March 24, 2005, Golden Plains Services, L.L.C., d/b/a High Plaines Cab Services, McCook, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its rates for its operations as follows:

Description	Current	Proposed
Within McCook City limits		-
One person	\$4.00	\$4.00
Senior Citizen (over 65 years)	\$3.00	\$4.00
Each additional person	\$1.00	\$1.00
Waiting Time per 10 minutes	\$2.00	\$2.50
0130-0600 a.m.	\$4.00	\$8.00
Holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas		
And Easter)	\$4.00	\$8.00*

 Service on major holidays must be arranged at least 24 hours in advance.

Out of Town		
Rate per loaded of unloaded mile	\$0.55	
Rate per mile loaded		\$1.19
Waiting Time per hour	\$12.00	\$15.00
Fuel Surcharge (per trip)		
Local Price per Gallon		
\$2.25-\$2.60		\$0.25
\$2.61-\$3.00		\$0.50
\$3.01-\$3.35		\$0.75

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services will be charged in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statute Section 75-302.02

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificated common carrier which holds Certificate B-1575. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers by taxicab between points in Buffalo County and between points within Buffalo County, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized.

In support of the application, Marlan Dooley of High Plaines Cab Service states that fuel charges have increased dramatically. Prices in APPLICATION NO. TR-143

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his area have increased to \$2.23 per gallon as of the time of this order.

The cost of gasoline has continued to increase, reaching nearly \$2.15 per gallon average in Nebraska as of the time of this order. The increase in cost to the applicant is significant, and needs to be addressed quickly to protect the applicant's ability to continue to provide its services to the public.

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 April 7, 2005.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective April 7, 2005, Golden Plains Services, L.L.C., d/b/a High Plains Cab Services, McCook, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its use in Certificate No. B-1575 as follows:

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service that notice of this amendment to their rates be conspicuously displayed within each taxicab.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the total amount of the fuel surcharge be paid to the individual or individuals paying for the fuel.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that public notice of this action be published in the <u>Daily Record</u>, Omaha, Nebraska, pursuant to the provisions of Section 75-121. R.R.S. 2003, and the Commissions Rules.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 5th day of April, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

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//s// Gerald L.