

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the	) APPLICATION NO. TR-148
Prescription of Reasonable	)
Rates and Charges for Motor	) DENIED ON AN
Carriers Passengers and	) EMERGENCY BASIS
Property for Hire Subject to	)
The provision of Neb. Rev. Stat.	)
(Reissue 2004), Chapter 75,	) ENTERED: September 27, 2005
Articles 1 and 3.	)

BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

On September 9, 2005, Golden Plains Services, L.L.C., d/b/a High Plains Cab Services, McCook, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its rates for its operations as follows:

Description	Current	Proposed
Out of Town		
Rate per loaded or unloaded mile	\$0.55	
Gasoline Cost/ Mileage Rate		
Over \$2.50		\$0.60
Over \$2.75		\$0.65
Over \$3.50		\$0.70
Over \$4.00		\$0.75
Over \$5.00		\$1.00
Fuel Surcharge (per trip)		
Local Price per Gallon		
\$2.25-\$2.60	\$0.25	\$0.25
\$2.61-\$3.00	\$0.50	\$0.50
\$3.01-\$3.35	---	\$0.75
\$3.36-\$3.80	---	\$1.00
\$3.81-\$4.20	---	\$1.25
\$4.21-\$4.60	---	\$1.50

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 Plains Cab Service states that fuel charges have increased dramatically. Prices in his area have increased to as much as \$3.19 per gallon as of early September.

The Applicant is further changing its rate structure to eliminate the mileage rate for loaded and unloaded miles, and charge a rate based only upon loaded miles. This change attempts to eliminate confusion regarding its rates.

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The major change proposed by the applicant is its request to allow its out-of-town per mile rate to fluctuate with the price of gasoline. This proposal would make the per mile rate similar to fuel surcharges that the Commission has granted to this applicant and others.

This is the first presentation of a variable mileage proposal to be brought before the Commission. This request is one that the Commission needs to study further and gather evidence from the industry before a final decision is rendered.

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 denied on an emergency basis and that said matter be processed in accordance with the Commission's regular procedures and Section 75-119. R.R.S. 2003, as amended.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the matter docketed in Application No. TR-148 be, and it hereby is, denied on an emergency basis and that said matter be processed in accordance with the Commission's regular procedures and Section 75-119, R.R.S. 2003, as amended.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 27th day of September, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:





//s// Frank E. Landis

//s// Gerald L. Vap

ATTEST:

Chairman





Executive Director