Decision No. C14-0336-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14V-0246CP

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF MT ACQUISITIONS LLC DOING BUSINESS AS MOUNTAINS TAXI FOR WAIVER/VARIANCE OF COMMON/CONTRACT CARRIER RULES AND MOTION TO SHORTEN NOTICE PERIOD.

INTERIM DECISION GRANTING REQUEST FOR SHORTENED NOTICE

Mailed Date:March 28, 2014Adopted Date:March 26, 2014

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of a request filed on March 21, 2014 by M T Acquisitions LLC, doing business as Mountains Taxi (Petitioner), to shorten the Commission notice and intervention period to ten days (Shortened Notice Request). The Shortened Notice Request was submitted concurrently with a Petition for Waiver/Variance from Commission Rules 6255(a)(IV) and (VII) of the Rules Regulating Transportation by Motor Vehicle, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-6 (Petition).

B. Findings and Conclusions

2. Rule 1206(d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 4 CCR 723-1, states that "[u]nless shortened by Commission decision or rule, the intervention period for notice mailed by the Commission shall expire 30 days after the mailing date."

3. Rule 1003(b), 4 CCR 723-1, provides that "[i]f a petition requests a waiver or variance to be effective less than 40 days after the date of filing, the petition must include a

request to waive or shorten the Commission notice and intervention period found in paragraph (d) of rule 1206."

4. In the Petition, the waiver is requested "[p]ermanently, or if not acceptable, from January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015." Pursuant to Rule 1003(b), 4 CCR 723-1, Petitioner concurrently requested that the notice and intervention period found in Rule 1206(d), 4 CCR 723-1, be shortened to ten days.

5. In support of its Shortened Notice Request, Petitioner states that "other taxi companies affected by Rule 6255 are having similar problems achieving compliance and [have] requested or are likely to request a waiver and extension. Interested parties are unlikely to have any objection to this request. No other parties would be prejudiced by the Commission granting the Petitioner's request..."

6. We find that good cause exists to grant Petitioner's Shortened Notice Request. The Petition will be placed on the next transportation notice, which is scheduled to be published on April 7, 2014, for a period of ten days. Interventions shall be due by **5:00 p.m. on April 17**, **2014**.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The request by M T Acquisitions LLC, doing business as Mountains Taxi, to shorten the notice and intervention period for the Petition for Waiver/Variance from Commission Rules 6255(a)(IV) and (VII) of the Rules Regulating Transportation by Motor Vehicle, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-6, to ten days is granted.

2. The Petition for Waiver/Variance from Commission Rules 6255(a)(IV) and (VII) of the Rules Regulating Transportation by Motor Vehicle, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations*

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723-6, shall be placed on the next transportation notice, which is scheduled to be published on April 7, 2014, for a period of ten days. Any person desiring to intervene or participate as a party in this proceeding, including Staff of the Commission, shall file a petition for leave to intervene, or under the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, file other appropriate pleadings to become a party, by **5:00 p.m. on April 17, 2014**.

3. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING March 26, 2014.



THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

JOSHUA B. EPEL

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Commissioners

COMMISSIONER PAMELA J. PATTON ABSENT.

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean, Director