Decision No. C14-1321

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-1016BP-EXTENSION-TA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN PARKING MANAGEMENT LLC FOR TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO EXTEND OPERATIONS UNDER PERMIT NO. B-09967.

COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

Mailed Date: October 31, 2014 Adopted Date: October 29, 2014

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

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On October 14, 2014, Western Parking Management LLC (Applicant), filed an application for temporary authority to extend operations as a contract carrier by motor vehicle for hire under Contract Carrier Permit No. B-09967. An application for permanent authority to extend operations along the same lines, filed in Proceeding No. 14A-1016BP-Extension, remains pending.

- 2. Applicant specifically requests temporary approval to extend its permit to operate as a contract carrier for the WorldMark resort in Granby, Colorado. This authority is described more fully in the Appendix to this Decision.
- 3. Pursuant to § 40-10.1-204(1), C.R.S., the Commission is authorized to grant temporary authority when "there appears to be an immediate and urgent need to any point or within a territory having no such service capable of meeting the need."

- 4. Applicant must meet a two-fold test: first, that there is an immediate and urgent need for the transportation services, and second, that there is no existing carrier capable of meeting the need. If Applicant fails to meet either test, the application must be denied.
- 5. In support of the application, Applicant explains that the WorldMark wishes to transport groups of 10 to 25 guests, and no local carrier with vehicles of that size is available. The attached customer support letter from the WorldMark states "Service is scheduled to begin November 12, 2014; it is imperative [that] service starts on time. This service is crucial to our guests and the community..." The letter also explains that Applicant was the only transportation carrier who could meet the needs of the WorldMark for this program.
- 6. The Commission finds and concludes that the information submitted with this application shows that an immediate and urgent need for the requested transportation service exists, and that no other carrier has been shown to be capable of providing the service.
- 7. Applicant has adequate equipment and financial resources to begin immediate service within the scope of the authority sought.
- 8. This application for temporary authority to extend operations is in the public interest.
- 9. Applicant is advised that the grant of a temporary authority to extend operations creates no presumption that a permanent authority will be granted.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. Western Parking Management LLC is granted temporary authority to extend operations for a period of 180 days from the mailing date of this Decision, with the temporary extension of authority as set forth in the Appendix attached to this Decision.

- 2. Western Parking Management LLC shall operate in accordance with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- 3. Western Parking Management LLC shall not commence operation under this temporary extension of authority until it has:
 - (a) caused proof of insurance (Form E or self-insurance) or surety bond (Form G) coverage to be filed with the Commission in accordance with applicable rules;
 - (b) paid to the Commission, the motor vehicle fee (\$5) for each vehicle to be operated under authority granted by the Commission, or in lieu thereof, paid the fee for such vehicle(s) pursuant to the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement;
 - (c) filed an advice letter and tariff on not less than five days' notice to the Commission. The advice letter and tariff shall initiate a new Advice Letter proceeding and shall comply with all applicable rules (see http://www.dora.state.co.us/puc/trans/TransFilingTariff.htm). In calculating the proposed effective date, the date received at the Commission is not included in the notice period and the entire notice period must expire prior to the effective date;
 - (d) paid the applicable issuance fee (\$5); and,
 - (e) received notice in writing from the Commission that it is in compliance with the above requirements and may begin service under the extended authority.
- 4. The 20-day time period provided by § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S., to file an application for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration shall begin on the first day after the Commission mails or serves this Decision.
 - 5. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING October 29, 2014



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Doug Dean, Director THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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