BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 22A-0550CP-XFER

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY NO. 55723 FROM JERRY'S VALLEY TAXI LLC DOING BUSINESS AS VALLEY TAXI OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS LLC AND/OR VALLEY TAXI TO HY-MOUNTAIN TRANSPORTATION, INC. DOING BUSINESS AS HIGH MOUNTAIN TAXI.

COMMISSION DECISION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

Mailed Date:	February 8, 2023
Adopted Date:	February 1, 2023

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

A. Statement, Findings, and Conclusions

1. On December 14, 2022, an application was filed requesting approval to transfer Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) PUC No. 55723 from Jerry's Valley Taxi LLC, doing business as Valley Taxi of Glenwood Springs LLC and/or Valley Taxi, to Hy-Mountain Transportation, Inc., doing business as High Mountain Taxi (High Mountain Taxi).

2. The Commission noticed this application to all interested persons, firms, and corporations pursuant to § 40-6-108(2), C.R.S., on December 19, 2022.

3. No petition to intervene or otherwise participate in this proceeding has been filed. This proceeding is uncontested. Under § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S., this matter may be determined without a hearing.

4. The information submitted with this application complies with Rule 6206(c) of the Rules Regulating Transportation by Motor Vehicle, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-6 and warrants the granting of the requested transfer.

5. The financial standing and overall fitness of the transferee has been satisfactorily established per § 40-10.1-205(3), C.R.S.

6. This application for permanent approval of the transfer of CPCN PUC No. 55723 is in the public interest and will be granted, conditioned upon full compliance with the requirements contained in this Decision.

7. The transfer of CPCN PUC No. 55723 to High Mountain Taxi, which already owns and operates another CPCN (PUC No. 14114), will create overlapping and/or duplicating authority.¹ Therefore, High Mountain Taxi will be required to file a subsequent application to consolidate these certificates into one CPCN and to eliminate the overlaps and/or duplications therein.² In the interim, to the extent that CPCN PUC Nos. 55723 and 14114 overlap and/or duplicate one another, only one authority shall be deemed to exist.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. This application was deemed complete on February 1, 2023, within the meaning of § 40-6-109.5, C.R.S.

¹ Rule 6001 (z), 4 CCR 723-6, defines "duplicating or overlapping authority" to mean "transportation of the same Common Carrier Type of Service between the same points under two or more separate Authorities which are held by the same Fully Regulated Intrastate Carrier."

² Rule 6207, 4 CCR 723-6, states that "[t]he Commission may cancel Duplicating or Overlapping Authorities that arise as a result of any grant, extension, or other modification to a Certificate." *See, e.g.*, Proceeding Nos. 18A-0183CP-EXT and 20A-0193CP-EXT.

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2. The application filed on December 14, 2022, for approval to transfer Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) PUC No. 55723, subject to encumbrances, if any, against the authority, from Jerry's Valley Taxi LLC, doing business as Valley Taxi of Glenwood Springs LLC and/or Valley Taxi (Transferor), to Hy-Mountain Transportation, Inc., doing business as High Mountain Taxi (Transferee), is granted, subject to full compliance with the requirements contained in this Order.

3. CPCN PUC No. 55723 is set forth in the Appendix attached to this Decision.

4. To the extent that CPCN PUC Nos. 55723 and 14114 overlap and/or duplicate one another, only one authority shall be deemed to exist.

5. Within 60 days of the effective date of this Decision, Transferee shall file an application to consolidate CPCN PUC Nos. 55723 and 14114 into one CPCN and to eliminate the overlaps and/or duplications therein.

6. Transferee shall not be granted CPCN PUC No. 55723 and shall not commence operations under CPCN PUC No. 55723 until the following conditions have been fully complied with:

- (a) cause proof of insurance (Form E or self-insurance) or surety bond (Form G) coverage to be filed with the Commission;
- (b) pay to the Commission, the motor vehicle fee (\$50.00) 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) file an adoption notice that adopts as its own the currently effective tariff of Transferor;
- (d) file a Commission-prescribed acceptance of transfer form that is signed by both the Transferor and Transferee;
- (e) pay the applicable fee (\$5.00) for the issuance of the authority;

 (f) register an authorized representative as a File Administrator on behalf of Transferee in the Commission's electronic filing system (E-Filings) and agree that Transferee shall receive notifications electronically through E-Filings. Information can be found at:

www.dora.state.co.us/pls/efi/EFI.homepage; and,

- (g) receive notice in writing from the Commission that it is in compliance with the above requirements and may begin service.
- 7. Transferor shall file a 2022 Annual Report in Proceeding No. 23M-0009TR.

8. If Transferor and Transferee do not comply with the requirements of this Order within 60 days of the effective date of this Decision, then the approval to transfer CPCN PUC No. 55723 shall be void without further action of the Commission. For good cause shown, the Commission may grant additional time for compliance if the request for additional time is filed within the 60 days.

9. Transferee shall operate in accordance with all applicable statutes, orders, and rules of the Commission, including but not limited to, the rule on financial responsibility, updating the vehicle registry, and obtaining the periodic inspections of all vehicles. The Commission may issue an order to cease and desist or to suspend, revoke, alter, or amend any certificate or permit for violation of, or refusal to observe any statute, order, or rule of the Commission, consistent with § 40-10.1-112 (1), C.R.S

10. 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.

11. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING February 1, 2023.



THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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COMMISSIONER JOHN GAVAN'S TERM EXPIRED FEBRUARY 3, 2023.

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

G. Harris Adams, Interim Director