Decision No. R23-0553-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 22A-0565CP

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF JASON STEINBERG DOING BUSINESS AS STEAMBOAT TAXI FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO OPERATE AS A COMMON CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE.

INTERIM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE CONOR F. FARLEY SHORTENING RESPONSE TIME TO MOTION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION

Mailed Date: August 18, 2023

I. <u>STATEMENT</u>

A. Background

1. On December 21, 2023, Jason Steinberg, doing business as Steamboat Taxi (Steamboat Taxi) filed the application described in the caption above (Application). Steamboat Taxi seeks: "authority to operate as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers in call-and-demand taxi service between all points in Routt County, State of Colorado."

2. On December 27, 2022, the Commission issued public notice of the authority sought by Steamboat Taxi in the Application as follows:

For authority to operate as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers in call-and-demand taxi service between all points in Routt County, State of Colorado. 3. On January 23, 2023, Alpine Taxi/Limo, Inc. d/b/a Alpine and/or Go Alpine (Go Alpine) filed a Notice of Intervention by Right, Alternative Motion to Intervene and Request for Hearing.

4. On January 24, 2023, NDW Enterprises LLC, doing business as Ski Town Transportation (Ski Town) filed a Petition to Intervene (Petition) (Go Alpine and Ski Town shall be referred to as Intervenors).

5. On February 1, 2023, the Commission deemed the Application complete and referred the proceeding to an Administrative Law Judge. The proceeding was subsequently assigned to the undersigned ALJ.

6. On May 16, 2023, the ALJ issued Decision No. R23-0323-I that granted the Petition, scheduled an in-person hearing in Steamboat Springs for September 21-22, 2023, and established a procedural schedule that included, among other things, deadlines of August 10 and 24, 2023 deadline for Steamboat Taxi and Intervenors, respectively, to file and serve witness lists and exhibits.

 On August 10, 2023, Steamboat Taxi filed a Motion to Withdraw Application (Motion).

B. Response to Motion

8. Steamboat Taxi states that it "was unable to confer with [I]ntervenors on their to my request."¹ Pursuant to Commission Rule 1400(b), Intervenors have to and including

¹ Petition at 1.

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August 24, 2023 to file responses to the Motion.² However, given that Intervenors must file and produce their witness lists and exhibits by August 24, 2023 and the hearing is less than a month thereafter in Steamboat Springs, an earlier response time is required. Accordingly, response time to the Motion will be shortened to August 22, 2023.³

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. For the reasons stated above, response time to the Motion to Withdraw Application (Motion) filed by Jason Steinberg, doing business as Steamboat Taxi on August 10, 2023, is shortened. Alpine Taxi/Limo, Inc. d/b/a Alpine and/or Go Alpine and NDW Enterprises LLC, doing business as Ski Town Transportation must file any responses to the Motion for Leave by August 22, 2023.

² 4 Code of Colorado Regulations (CCR) 723-1.

³ See Rule 1400(b), 4 CCR 723-1.

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2. This Decision is effective immediately.



THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

CONOR F. FARLEY

Administrative Law Judge

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