Decision No. C03-0526

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03A-202BP-ETA

THE APPLICATION OF GLOBAL ACCESS LLC FOR EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A CONTRACT CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE.

COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

> Mailed Date: May 21, 2003 Adopted Date: May 16, 2003

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

A. Statement, Findings and Conclusions

1. On May 13, 2003, Global Access LLC (Global Access), filed an application for

emergency temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier by motor vehicle for

hire for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, between: (1) Hampton Inn, 6290 Tower

Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (2) Super 8 Motel, 18600 East 63rd Avenue, Denver, Colorado

80249, (3) Comfort Suites, 6210 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (4) Red Roof Inn & Suites,

6890 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; and (5) La Quinta Inn & Suites, 6801 Tower Road,

Denver, Colorado 80249, on the one hand, and Denver International Airport, on the other hand.

This application is restricted as follows: to providing transportation services to the following

named customers: (1) Hampton Inn, 6290 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (2) Super 8

Motel, 18600 East 63rd Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80249, (3) Comfort Suites, 6210 Tower Road,

Denver, Colorado 80249; (4) Red Roof Inn & Suites, 6890 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado

80249; and (5) La Quinta Inn & Suites, 6801 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249.

- 2. Global Access filed a letter to amend its application on May 15, 2003. This letter requested that the application be restricted to the use of only passenger vans of sixteen passengers or greater.
- 3. Pursuant to § 40-6-120(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 carrier service capable of meeting such need." Section 40-6-120(4), C.R.S., further states: "If the Commission is of the opinion that an emergency exists, it may issue temporary authority or approval at once by making specific reference in its order to the circumstances constituting the emergency, in which case no notice need be given, but any such emergency authority or approval shall expire no later than thirty days after it was issued."
- 4. Global Access must meet a two-fold test: first, that there is an emergency need for the transportation services, and second, that there is no existing carrier capable of meeting the need. If Global Access fails to meet either test, the application must be denied.
- 5. In this application, Global Access states "The service Applicant proposes to provide to potential customers is specialized and tailored to potential customer's distinct needs. The newly proposed service is carefully designed to meet customer's needs and requirements. These five hotels are currently, or will within a few days be without a contract carrier providing the services required, which service requirements will be met by Applicant."
- 6. The general manager of each of the five hotels named in this application filed a letter supporting the need for the emergency temporary authority requested in this application. In each letter, the general manager states: (1) his/her hotel has unique transportation requirements that only can be met by Global Access; (2) he/she has been unable to locate an alternative

service provider that will meet the conditions and requirements of the service needed by the his/her hotel; and (3) his/her hotel will be at a severe competitive disadvantage with other hotels near Denver International Airport if Global Access is not allowed to provide the service requested in this application.

- 7. An emergency need for the requested transportation services exists, and there is no other carrier capable of providing the service.
- 8. Global Access has adequate equipment and financial resources to begin immediate service within the scope of the authority sought.
  - 9. This application for emergency temporary authority is in the public interest.
- 10. Global Access is advised that the grant of an emergency temporary authority creates no presumption that either a temporary or permanent authority will be granted.

# II. ORDER

# **A.** The Commission Orders That:

- 1. Global Access LLC is granted emergency temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier for a period of 30 days commencing from the Mailed Date of this Order, with authority as set forth in the Appendix.
- 2. Global Access LLC shall operate in accordance with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- 3. Global Access LLC, shall not commence operation until it has filed with the Commission certificates of insurance as required by Commission rules. Global Access LLC, shall file a proper tariff and pay the appropriate annual vehicle identification fee. Global Access LLC,

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may not begin operations until these requirements have been met and notice in writing has been received from the Commission stating it is in compliance and may begin service.

- 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 Order.
  - 5. This Order is effective immediately on its Mailed Date.
  - B. ADOPTED IN THE COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING May 16, 2003.

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Bruce N. Smith

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Transportation of passengers and their baggage, (1) Hampton Inn, 6290 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (2) Super 8 Motel, 18600 East 63rd Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80249, (3) Comfort Suites, 6210 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (4) Red Roof Inn & Suites, 6890 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; and (5) La Quinta Inn & Suites, 6801 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249, on the one hand, and Denver International Airport, on the other hand.

# This **emergency temporary permit** is restricted as follows:

(A) To providing transportation services to the following named customers: (1) Hampton Inn, 6290 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (2) Super 8 Motel, 18600 East 63rd Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80249, (3) Comfort Suites, 6210 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; (4) Red Roof Inn & Suites, 6890 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; and (5) La Quinta Inn & Suites, 6801 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249; and (B) to the use of vehicles with a seating capacity of 16 passengers or more.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, Bruce N. Smith, Director of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado, certify that I served a true and correct copy of the above Commission Decision -- entered in the above numbered matter of record -- upon each of the persons whose names and addresses appear below, by mailing the same in sealed envelopes properly addressed, with sufficient postage prepaid to carry the same to its destination to the following:

### APPLICANT:

Global Access LLC 1291 East 54th Avenue Denver, CO 80216

# APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY:

Andrew L. Spielman 1400 16th Street, Suite No. 250 Denver, CO 80202

## ROUTE:

6, 60, and all PUC staff, including staff that may be listed as parties, received this decision electronically.



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DIRECTOR