

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

DOCKET NO. 03A-201CP-TA

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THE APPLICATION OF STANLEY BROTHERS TAXI COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY  
AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A COMMON CARRIER BY MOTOR  
VEHICLE FOR HIRE.

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**COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING  
TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

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Mailed Date: June 5, 2003

Adopted Date: June 4, 2003

**I. BY THE COMMISSION:**

**A. Statement**

1. On June 2, 2003, Stanley Brothers Taxi Company (Stanley Brothers), filed an application for temporary authority to conduct operations as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, in taxi service, between all points within an 18-mile radius of the intersection of U.S. Highways 34 and 36 in Estes Park, Colorado, and between said points, on the one hand, and Denver International Airport, on the other hand.

2. The Commission gave notice of the application on June 2, 2003.

3. There are no interventions opposing a grant of the application.

4. 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."

5. Stanley Brothers 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 Stanley Brothers fails to meet either test, the application must be denied.

6. The Commission granted Stanley Brothers Taxi Company, emergency temporary authority to conduct operations as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire in Docket No. 03A-201CP-ETA by Decision No. C03-0524 on May 21, 2003.

**B. Findings of Fact**

7. Three letters were filed in support of this application. John Baudek, the mayor of Estes Park, Colorado, writes “The authorized operator for Estes Park is not currently operating and is involved in a business dispute with an unauthorized operator. This is significantly affecting quality service and is causing a hardship for taxi patrons in our community. Our busy season is quickly approaching and our citizens and visitors require a reliable taxi service immediately.” William Almond, the general manager of the Holiday Inn Rocky Mountain Park in Estes Park, Colorado, writes “It has come to my attention that the licensed operator of taxi service for the Estes Park area is currently not able to operate the service for a variety of reasons. Our busiest season is fast upon us, and the absence of a legally operating taxi service in this community constitutes an immediate and urgent need for my business.” David Floyd, the general manager of High Pines Broadcasting, Inc., in Estes Park, Colorado, writes “The current taxi operator appears inept at providing even the most basic form of reliability, and now seems to have dropped the service almost entirely.”

**C. Conclusions**

8. The Commission finds that the support filed with this application indicates an immediate and urgent need for the requested transportation services exists, and that no other carrier has been shown to be capable of providing the service.

9. Stanley Brothers has adequate equipment and financial resources to begin immediate service within the scope of the authority sought.

10. This application for temporary authority is in the public interest.

11. Stanley Brothers is advised that the grant of a temporary authority creates no presumption that a permanent authority will be granted.

**II. ORDER**

**A. The Commission Orders That:**

1. Stanley Brothers Taxi Company is granted temporary authority to conduct operations as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for a period of 150 days commencing from the Mailed Date of this Order, with authority as set forth in the Appendix.

2. Stanley Brothers Taxi Company shall operate in accordance with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.

3. Stanley Brothers Taxi Company shall not begin operations until it has filed the certificate of insurance as required by Commission rules. Stanley Brothers Taxi Company shall also file a proper tariff and the appropriate vehicle identification fee. Stanley Brothers Taxi Company may not begin service until notice in writing has been received from the Commission stating that it is in compliance and may begin service.

4. If Stanley Brothers Taxi Company does not comply with the requirements of this Order within 30 days of its effective date, the temporary authority shall be void. For good cause shown, the Commission may grant additional time for compliance if the request for additional time is filed within the 30 days.

5. The 20-day time period provided by § 40-6-114(1), C.R.S., to file an application for rehearing, re-argument, or reconsideration shall begin on the first day after the Commission mails or serves this Order.

6. This Order is effective immediately on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN THE COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
June 4, 2003.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

*Bruce N. Smith*

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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:

Stanley Brothers Taxi Company  
P.O. Box 1908  
Estes Park, CO 80517

ROUTE:

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



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AND THE SEAL OF THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

*Bruce N. Smith*

DIRECTOR