BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03A-431BP-TA

THE APPLICATION OF LINE TRANSIT, L.P., FOR TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A CONTRACT CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE.

COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

Mailed Date: October 17, 2003 Adopted Date: October 15, 2003

I. BY THE COMMISSION:

A. Statement

- 1. On September 24, 2003, Line Transit, L. P., filed an application for temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, between all points within the Counties of Adams, and Jefferson, State of Colorado. This application is restricted to providing transportation services for Seniors' Resource Center, 3227 Chase Street, Denver, Colorado, 80212.
 - 2. The Commission gave notice of the application on October 6, 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. Line Transit, L. P., 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 Line Transit, L. P., fails to meet either test, the application must be denied.

B. Findings of Fact

- 6. The support filed on behalf of this application consists of a letter from Lynn Hansen, the transportation broker of the Senior Resource Center. In this letter, Ms. Hansen states that the Senior Resource Center has difficulty finding appropriate service providers in Jefferson and Adams Counties. Ms. Hansen also states "When Line Transit, L. P. enters into an agreement, trips would be prearranged from this office. Line Transit. L. P. would need to give special assistance to the client at their destination. Cab and volunteer drivers typically do not give special assistance to the elderly and disabled community. Line Transit, L. P. has assured us they would provide this service to all clients scheduled from this office. Additionally, Line Transit, L. P. will guarantee that the original and return pick up will be within 10 and 15 minutes of the time we request."
- 7. The information submitted by Ms. Hansen indicates that the Senior Resource Center does have an urgent need for the transportation service requested by Line Transit, L. P. in this application.

C. Conclusions

- 8. An immediate and urgent need for the requested transportation services has been shown to exist, and no other carrier has been shown to be capable of providing the service.
- 9. Line Transit, L.P., 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. Line Transit, L.P., 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. Line Transit, L.P., is granted temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier for a period of 180 days commencing from the Mailed Date of this Order, with authority as set forth in the Appendix.
- 2. Line Transit, L.P., shall operate in accordance with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- 3. Line Transit, L.P., shall not commence operation until it has filed certificates of insurance as required by Commission rules. Line Transit, L.P., shall file a proper tariff and pay the appropriate vehicle identification fee. Line Transit, L.P., 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. If Line Transit, L.P., does not comply with the requirements of this Order within 30 days of its effective date, then 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.

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- 5. 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.
 - 6. This Order is effective immediately on its Mailed Date.
 - B. ADOPTED IN THE COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING October 15, 2003.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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