

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03A-468CP-TA

THE APPLICATION OF SIDNEY BRASFIELD, DOING BUSINESS AS ALL AROUND TAXI, FOR TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A COMMON CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE.

**COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING
TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

Mailed Date: November 7, 2003
Adopted Date: November 5, 2003

I. BY THE COMMISSION:

A. Statement

1. On October 22, 2003, Sidney Brasfield, doing business as All Around Taxi (All Around Taxi), 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 in Moffat County, State of Colorado, and between said points, on the one hand, and the Hayden Airport and all points in Hayden, Colorado, on the other hand.
2. The Commission gave notice of the application on October 27, 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. All Around Taxi 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 All Around Taxi fails to meet either portion of this test, the application must be denied.

B. Findings of Fact

6. Four letters authored by owners of businesses in Craig, Colorado, were filed in support of this application. The authors of these letters express a significant need for taxi service between points in Craig, Colorado, and the Moffat County area. Specific quotes from the four letters that express an immediate need for the requested transportation service include: “This is a service that is very much needed. There is low income housing about two miles away from the main shopping and some of these people are walking that distance with their children and their purchases. This happens all year round, cold winters and hot summer.” “Our community is desperately in need of a taxi service in Craig. There are so many people with no form of transportation.” “We have no public buses in the town, and many people of all ages need some form of transportation for daily needs. A taxi service is very much needed for the community and will be used to the highest extent.” “With no other form of transportation here in Craig the taxi service is one of the best things we could have back in our community.”

C. Conclusions

7. 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.

8. All Around Taxi has adequate equipment and financial resources to begin immediate service within the scope of the authority sought.

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

10. All Around Taxi 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. Sidney Brasfield, doing business as All Around Taxi, is granted temporary authority to conduct operations as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for a period of 180 days commencing from the Mailed Date of this Order, with authority as set forth in the Appendix.

2. All Around Taxi shall operate in accordance with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.

3. All Around Taxi shall not begin operations until it has filed certificates of insurance with the Commission as required by Commission rules. In addition, All Around Taxi, shall file the proper tariff and pay the appropriate vehicle identification fee. All Around Taxi may not begin service until it has met these requirements and notice in writing has been received from the Commission stating that it is in compliance and may begin service.

4. If All Around Taxi 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.

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
November 5, 2003.**

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