

(Decision No. C95-727)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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THE APPLICATION OF ABDELLAH )  
ELHABBASSI, DOING BUSINESS AS )  
CASABLANCA LIMOUSINE SERVICE, )  
FOR TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO ) DOCKET NO. 95A-312CP-TA  
CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A COMMON )  
CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR )  
HIRE. )

**COMMISSION ORDER DENYING  
TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

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Mailed date: August 4, 1995  
Adopted date: August 2, 1995  
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**I. BY THE COMMISSION:**

**Statement, Findings, and Conclusion**

1. On July 3, 1995, Abdellah Elhabbassi, doing business as Casablanca Limousine Service, filed an application (Docket No. 95A-312CP-TA) for temporary authority to conduct operations as a common carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, in call-and-demand limousine service, (1) between Denver International Airport, in Denver, Colorado, on the one hand, and all points in the area comprised of the Counties of Jefferson, Boulder, Adams, Arapahoe, and Denver, State of Colorado, on the other hand; and (2) between all points



within the following described area: beginning at the intersection of Colorado Boulevard and Hampden Avenue; thence east along Hampden Avenue, as extended, to its intersection with Colorado Highway 83; thence south along Colorado Highway 83 to its intersection with E-470; thence west along E-470 to its intersection with Interstate 25 and Colorado Highway 470; thence west along Colorado Highway 470 to Colorado Boulevard; thence north along Colorado Boulevard to the point of beginning; and between said points, on the one hand, and all points in the Counties of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, and Jefferson, State of Colorado, on the other hand.

2.The Commission gave notice of the application on July 10, 1995.

Interventions opposing a grant of the application were filed by Boulder Airporter, Inc.; Colorado PUC 191 Corp.; Rocky Mountain Shuttlines, Inc., doing business as Rocky Mountain Supercoach, Ltd.; Golden West Commuter, LLC; BBB Transportation, Inc., doing business as Overland Airport Express, Inc.; and Yellow Cab Cooperative Association, doing business as Yellow Cab, Inc., and its division, Denver Airport Limousine Service, Inc., doing business as Denver Airport Shuttle.

3.By § 40-6-120, C.R.S., the application for temporary authority is under consideration for a Commission order.

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.The burden of proof created by this statute is indeed heavy. The Applicant must meet a two-fold test in order to satisfy the criteria demanded by the law. 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 the Applicant fails to meet either test, the application cannot be granted. In light of the interventions filed on behalf of the carriers listed above, we cannot find that there is no other carrier service available.

6.The support filed on behalf of this application fails to prove that there is an immediate and urgent need for the transportation services requested, and that there is no other carrier service available capable of providing the service.

7.This application for temporary authority is not in the public interest and should be denied.

## **II.ORDER:**

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

1. This application is denied.
- 2.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 Decision.

**B.** This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING August 2, 1995.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

CHRISTINE E.M. ALVAREZ

Bruce N. Smith  
Director

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VINCENT MAJKOWSKI

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Commissioners

CHAIRMAN ROBERT J. HIX ABSENT.

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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 on the date noted on this certificate at Denver, Colorado.

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INTERVENOR:

Boulder Airporter, Inc.  
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Boulder, CO 80301

INTERVENOR:

Colorado PUC No. 191 Corp.  
dba Airporter  
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INTERVENORS' (BOULDER & AIRPORTER)

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INTERVENOR:

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5454 Conestoga Court  
Boulder, CO 80301

INTERVENOR:

BBB Transportation, Inc.  
dba Overland Airport Express, Inc.  
1858 Arabian Trail  
Elizabeth, CO 80107

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DIRECTOR

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