

(Decision No. C96-369)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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THE APPLICATION OF CORRECTIONAL)
CONNECTIONS LIMITED LIABILITY)
COMPANY FOR EMERGENCY TEMPORARY) DOCKET NO. 96A-119BP-ETA
AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS)
A CONTRACT CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE)
FOR HIRE.)

**COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING
EMERGENCY TEMPORARY AUTHORITY IN PART**

Mailed date: April 3, 1996
Adopted date: April 3, 1996

I. BY THE COMMISSION:

A. Statement

1. On March 26, 1996, Correctional Connections Limited Liability Company, filed an application (Docket No. 96A-119BP-ETA) for emergency temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier by motor vehicle for hire for the transportation of juveniles in custody or placed in a locked setting pursuant to orders of the courts, between all points within the State of Colorado. This application is restricted to providing service for the following named companies: (1) Jefferson Center for Mental Health, Arvada, Colorado; (2) Charter - Centennial Peaks Behavioral Health Systems, Inc., Louisville, Colorado; (3) Office of Youth Services, Southern Regional Office, Colorado Springs, Colorado; (4) Boulder County (Community Corrections), Boulder, Colorado; and (5) Jefferson Hills, Lakewood, Colorado.

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

3. Pursuant to § 40-6-120(1), C.R.S., the Commission is authorized to grant emergency temporary authority when there appears to be an emergency need to any point or within a territory having no carrier service capable of meeting such need.

B. Findings of Fact

1. There are five agencies listed within the application as being customers of the Applicant, however, only the following named agencies provided letters of support for this application: Boulder County Community Services Department, Charter Behavioral Health System at Centennial Peaks, and the Office of Youth Services, Southern Regional Office. There is no indication within this application that either the Jefferson Center for Mental Health or Jefferson Hills has an emergency need for the requested service.

2. The letters filed on behalf of this application indicate that juveniles under the direction of the supporting agencies are for various reasons required to be transported while in custody. Such transportation is unique in that the use of specially equipped vehicles and constant supervision of the juveniles are required. The Applicant is capable of providing this type of unique service demanded by the supporting agencies.

C. Conclusions

1. The Commission finds that there is an emergency need for additional transportation services to be provided for the

following agencies: Boulder County Community Services Department, Charter Behavioral Health System at Centennial Peaks, and the Office of Youth Services, Southern Regional Office.

2. The Applicant has adequate equipment and financial resources to begin immediate service within the scope of the authority to be granted and is willing, ready, and able to operate under all Commission rules and regulations governing carriers by motor vehicle.

3. This application for emergency temporary authority is in the public interest and should be granted, consistent with the above discussion.

4. The Applicant is advised that the granting of an emergency temporary authority makes no presumption that temporary or permanent authority will be granted.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. Correctional Connections Limited Liability Company 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 attached Appendix.

2. Correctional Connections Limited Liability Company shall not commence operations until all requirements have been met and notice in writing has been received from the Commission that the Applicant is in compliance and may begin service.

3. 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.

C. ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING April 3, 1996.

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

ROBERT J. HIX

Bruce N. Smith
Director

VINCENT MAJKOWSKI

Commissioners

COMMISSIONER CHRISTINE E.M. ALVAREZ
ABSENT.

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Transportation of juveniles in custody or placed in a locked setting pursuant to orders of the courts,

between all points within the State of Colorado.

This **Emergency Temporary Authority** is restricted to providing service for the following named agencies:

A.Boulder County Community Services Department;

B.Charter Behavioral Health System at Centennial Peaks; and

C.The Office of Youth Services, Southern Regional Office.

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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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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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