

(Decision No. C96-388)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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THE APPLICATION OF CORRECTIONAL)
CONNECTIONS LIMITED LIABILITY)
COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO)
CONDUCT OPERATIONS AS A CONTRACT)
CARRIER BY MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE.)

DOCKET NO. 96A-119BP-TA

**COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING
TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

Mailed date: April 18, 1996
Adopted date: April 10, 1996

I. BY THE COMMISSION:

Statement

1. On March 26, 1996, Correctional Connections Limited Liability Company, filed an application (Docket No. 96A-119BP-TA) for 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; (5) Jefferson Hills, Lakewood, Colorado; and (6) the Colorado Mental Health Institute, Pueblo, Colorado.

2. The Commission gave notice of the application on April 1, 1996. No interventions opposing a grant of the application were filed.

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 support filed on behalf of this application indicates 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.

6. The Commission finds that there is an immediate and urgent need for additional transportation services. The Commission will grant the application.

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

8. This application for temporary authority is in the public interest and should be granted.

9. The Applicant is advised that the granting of a temporary authority makes no presumption that permanent authority will be granted.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. Correctional Connections Limited Liability Company is granted temporary authority to conduct operations as a contract carrier for a period of 150 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. If the Applicant does not comply with the requirements of this ordering paragraph within 30 days of the effective date of this Order, then ordering paragraph 1 above, which grants authority to the Applicant, shall be void, and the authority granted shall then be void. On good cause shown, the Commission may grant additional time for compliance, if the request for additional time is filed within the 30 days.

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 10, 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
RESIGNED EFFECTIVE APRIL 5, 1996.

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

- A. Boulder County Community Services Department, Boulder, Colorado;
- B. Charter - Centennial Peaks Behavioral Health Systems, Inc., Louisville, Colorado;
- C. The Office of Youth Services, Southern Regional Office, Colorado Spring, Colorado;
- D. Jefferson Center for Mental Health, Arvada, Colorado;
- E. Jefferson Hills, Lakewood, Colorado; and
- F. Colorado Mental Health Institute, Pueblo, Colorado.

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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

BRUCE N. SMITH
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