

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

PROCEEDING NO. 13D-1293CP

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IN THE MATTER OF THE VERIFIED PETITION OF LYFT, INC., FOR A DECLARATORY ORDER CONCERNING REGULATION OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES UNDER THE COMMISSION'S RULES REGULATING TRANSPORTATION BY MOTOR VEHICLE, 4 CODE OF COLORADO REGULATIONS 723-6.

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**DECISION DISMISSING PETITION  
AND CLOSING PROCEEDING**

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Mailed Date: July 9, 2014  
Adopted Date: July 2, 2014

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statement**

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of a Verified Petition of Lyft, Inc. (Lyft) for a Declaratory Order Concerning Regulation of Transportation Network Companies Under the Commission's Rules Regulating Transportation by Motor Vehicle, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 723-6 (Petition), filed on December 10, 2013.<sup>1</sup> Being fully advised in this matter and consistent with the discussion below, we dismiss the Petition and close the Proceeding.

2. The Petition concerns the nature and extent of the Commission's authority to regulate Lyft and other entities that utilize a technology platform to connect persons desiring transportation services with private individuals desiring to provide such services using their personal vehicles. Lyft calls these entities Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) and

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<sup>1</sup> On December 10, 2013, Lyft also filed a petition for the issuance of a notice of proposed rulemaking to promulgate rules for the regulation of Transportation Network Companies, Proceeding No. 13M-1292TR. We will address that matter by a separate Decision.

contends this business model was not contemplated by § 40-10.1-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S., or Rules 6001, *et seq.*, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-6.

3. On December 30, 2013, the Petition was placed on the bi-weekly transportation notice for a period of 30 days. Interventions were received from MKBS LLC, doing business as Metro Taxi; Colorado Cab Company LLC, doing business as Denver Yellow Cab and Boulder Yellow Cab; and Hy-Mountain Transportation Inc., doing business as High Mountain Taxi.<sup>2</sup>

4. The Petition was not subsequently placed on a Commission agenda, as the Colorado Legislature at that point had undertaken efforts to draft a bill which would deal with the legal status of TNCs.

5. On June 5, 2014, Governor Hickenlooper signed into law Colorado Senate Bill 14-125 (SB 125), which created a new statutory section for TNCs. SB 125 directs the Commission to promulgate rules relating to insurance, criminal history background checks, the application for a TNC permit from the Commission, and other related matters outlined in greater detail in SB 125 itself. The Commission has adopted temporary rules and will soon begin a more comprehensive, permanent rulemaking process which will deal with these areas.

6. Accordingly, the Commission will dismiss the Petition, and deny the interventions as moot.

## **II. ORDER**

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

1. The Verified Petition of Lyft, Inc. for a Declaratory Order Concerning Regulation of Transportation Network Companies Under the Commission's Rules Regulating Transportation

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<sup>2</sup> Colorado Cab Company LLC was joined in its intervention by Colorado Springs Transportation LLC and Shamrock Taxi of Fort Collins, Inc. Hy-Mountain Transportation Inc. was joined by Colorado Springs Shuttle, LLC; Estes Valley Transport, Inc.; Snow Limousine, Inc.; and MT Acquisitions, LLC, doing business as Mountains Taxi.

by Motor Vehicle, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 723-6, filed on December 10, 2013 is dismissed, and this proceeding is closed.

2. The interventions file by MKBS LLC, doing business as Metro Taxi; Colorado Cab Company LLC, doing business as Denver Yellow Cab and Boulder Yellow Cab; and Hy-Mountain Transportation Inc., doing business as High Mountain Taxi are denied as moot.

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 this Decision.

4. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
July 2, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean,  
Director

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