

April 15, 1982

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE

John A. Vuono
Attorney at Law
2310 Grant Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

In re: A-00102471, F. 1, Am-A
Application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.

Dear Mr. Vuono:

The above referenced application has been assigned for review without an oral hearing. In order to reach a determination on the application, the following information is needed:

- A. VERIFIED STATEMENT OF APPLICANT.
- B. VERIFIED STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION.

Attached hereto is an outline of the minimum information required in support of the application.

Verified statements are due in duplicate on May 17, 1982.

Very truly yours,

By Richard H. White
For Peter S. Marzolf, Chief
Technical Review Section
Bureau of Non-Rail Transportation

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May 12, 1982

Re: Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.
Docket No. A. 00102471, F. 1, Am-A
Our File 2691-1

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Non-Rail Transportation
Public Utility Comm.

Mr. Richard H. White
Technical Review Section
Bureau of Non-Rail Transportation
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P. O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, Pa. 17120

Dear Mr. White:

This is to confirm our conversation of this date with your office concerning the above-captioned case. As you know, this proceeding is unopposed and has been assigned for review without an oral hearing. Applicant's verified statements are due May 17, 1982.

Due to various unforeseen circumstances concerning the supporting shipper, applicant requests a 30 day extension of time to file its written testimony in support of the application. This is the first extension request and no party will be prejudiced by the extension.

We respectfully request that the applicant be granted until June 17, 1982 to file its verified statements in this proceeding.

We appreciate your kind consideration and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

WICK, VUONO & LAVELLE

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cc: Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.

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May 14, 1982

IN REPLY PLEASE
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John A. Vuono
Attorney at Law
2310 Grant Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

In re: A-00102471, F. 1, Am-A

Application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.

Dear Mr. Vuono:

In accordance with your request of May 12, 1982 for an extension of time to file verified statements, we are granting an additional 30 days for filing of statements.

Please be advised that verified statements are now due on June 17, 1982. If said statements are not filed with this office by that date we shall assume that you do not desire to pursue this matter and shall recommend to the Commission that the application be dismissed for lack of prosecution.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

For Peter S. Marzolf, Chief
Technical Review Section
Bureau of Non-Rail Transportation

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June 16, 1982

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Re: Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.
USCO Distribution Services, Inc.
Docket No. A. 00102471 *J. L. Am...*
Our File 2691-1

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SECRETARY'S OFFICE
Public Utility Commission

Mr. Jerry Rich
Secretary
Pennsylvania Public
Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, Pa. 17120

Dear Mr. Rich:

We enclose for filing with the Commission the signed original and two copies of Applicant's Verified Statements filed on behalf of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed on the duplicate copy of this letter of transmittal and return it to the undersigned in the envelope provided for that purpose.

Very truly yours,

WICK, VUONO & LAVELLE



David M. O'Boyle

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DOCKET NO. A. 102471, F. 1, Am-A

Non-Rail Transportation
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PITT-OHIO EXPRESS, INC.

APPLICANT'S VERIFIED STATEMENTS

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Attorneys for
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Applicant

Of Counsel:

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Due Date: June 17, 1982

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JUN 18 1982
ENTRY No. *MO*

Before the
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. A. 102471, F. 1, Am-A
PITT-OHIO EXPRESS, INC.

APPLICANT'S VERIFIED STATEMENTS

I. STATEMENT OF THE CASE

By application published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on March 20, 1982, Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc. (Pitt-Ohio or applicant) seeks authority as a common carrier by motor vehicle, over irregular routes, to provide the following service:

To transport, as a Class D carrier, property, except commodities in bulk and household goods in use, from the facilities of USCO Distribution Services, Inc., located in the Borough of McKees Rocks, Allegheny County, to points in Pennsylvania, and vice versa.

This application is unopposed. By letter dated April 15, 1982, the Commission assigned this case for review without an oral hearing.

Applicant now submits its verified statements in support of the application.

VERIFIED STATEMENT OF ROBERT F. HAMMEL
ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT

1. Legal Name and Domicile of Carrier.

Applicant is Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc. (Pitt-Ohio or Applicant), a Pennsylvania corporation, with its principal place of business located at 27th & A.V.R.R., Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

2. Identity and Qualifications of Testifying Witness.

My name is Robert F. Hammel and I am Secretary of Applicant. I have held this position since the company was incorporated approximately three years ago. I am actively involved in the day-to-day operations of Pitt-Ohio and I am thoroughly familiar with its overall operations, facilities, equipment and authority. I am authorized to present this statement to the Commission in support of our company's application pending at Docket No. A. 102471, F. 1, Am-A.

3. Authority Sought.

By this application Pitt-Ohio seeks to amend its common carrier certificate to include the following authority:

To transport, as a Class D carrier, property, except commodities in bulk and household goods in use, from the facilities of USCO Distribution Services, Inc., located in the Borough of McKees Rocks, Allegheny County, to points in Pennsylvania, and vice versa.

4. General Information.

Applicant is presently authorized to conduct motor

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carrier operations within the state of Pennsylvania and it holds authority at Docket No. A. 102471. A copy of our PUC certificate is attached to my statement as Appendix 1. Pursuant to this certificate Pitt-Ohio is authorized to transport commodities which are dealt in by retail shoe stores from the distribution facility of Kinney Service Corp., in the township of Hampden, Cumberland County, to points in the counties of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Armstrong, Westmoreland, Fayette and Washington counties. Applicant is presently conducting operations pursuant to this authority.

In addition, Pitt-Ohio is also authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission to transport general commodities between points in eighteen states located in the eastern United States. Our operations extend as far west as Wisconsin and as far east as Massachusetts. Our company is providing service to the supporting shipper at its McKees Rocks facility in connection with interstate traffic.

(B) Duplicating Authority Resulting from Grant of Application.

Applicant does not hold any authority to provide service for the supporting shipper and, consequently, applicant believes that approval of this application will not result in any duplication of its operating rights. Applicant does not seek any duplicating authority.

(C) Dual Operations Resulting from Grant of Application.

Approval of this application will not result in any dual

operations since applicant does not hold any contract carrier authority from this Commission.

5. Pertinent Terminal Facilities and Communications Network.

Applicant's main terminal is located in Pittsburgh and it also has a terminal in East Liverpool, Ohio. As pertinent to this application, the Pittsburgh terminal is situated on approximately three acres of land and it has both maintenance and office facilities. This terminal is equipped with 29 loading and unloading doors and it is located within ten miles of the shipper's arehouse facility in McKees Rocks, Allegheny County.

Our operation is set up on a direct dispatch system to facilitate providing equipment and service to customers. After delivery of a shipment drivers are instructed to call in to our main terminal for instructions concerning the pickup of return loads, if arrangements have not already been made. We maintain direct telephone communications with our customers in order to coordinate the flow of equipment. Our company maintains almost daily contact with the supporting shipper's McKees Rocks warehouse and, in view of the clos proximity of the warehouse to our main terminal, this is done by telephone. It has been our experience that our communications network and dispatch system works effectively and efficiently.

6. Pertinent Equipment.

Pitt-Ohio operates 6 tractors, 8 trailers and 16 straight trucks. All of this equipment except one tractor and one

trailer are company-owned. All of this equipment is suitable to provide the supporting shipper with the type of service which it requires. Attached to my statement as Appendix 2 is a current equipment list.

7. Safety and Maintenance Program.

Applicant maintains a complete safety program which is conducted in conformance with the safety regulations of the Department of Transportation. Under this program all drivers are investigated and examined prior to employment. Before a driver is allowed to take charge of the road equipment, he must successfully demonstrate his ability to operate safely such equipment. During the time of his employment he is periodically given safety instructions and required to meet certain high standards of operation. Our program also includes safety meetings at which films are shown and discussions conducted concerning the safe operation of equipment.

Pitt-Ohio has implemented a preventative maintenance program which requires the checking and servicing of equipment on a regular basis. Every vehicle is given a routine service check every 12,000 miles to insure that it is safe to operate and to avoid possible breakdowns while on the road. We operate a maintenance facility at our main terminal in Pittsburgh and it is equipped with two bays for servicing equipment.

Insurance is maintained by Pitt-Ohio in excess of the

Commission's requirements. There is no pending investigation of applicant by the Commission or by any other agency that I am aware of.

8. Service Now Provided to Supporting Witness.

Applicant does not hold any authority from this Commission to provide service to the supporting shipper. However, Pitt-Ohio is authorized pursuant to its ICC certificate to transport general commodities from and to the shipper's McKees Rocks warehouse. Our company is handling many different types of hospital equipment, materials and supplies from the McKees Rocks warehouse to points in Ohio and West Virginia. On the average we transport approximately 150 shipments per month and the total tonnage of this traffic is 100,000 pounds.

9. Type of Service Offered.

Pitt-Ohio is familiar with the transportation requirements of the shipper and is experienced in handling its freight which is stored at the McKees Rocks warehouse. Applicant is in a position to provide the service required by the shipper. Pitt-Ohio's operation is set up to handle less-than-truckload shipments which require consolidation. We have designed our service to provide multiple stop off deliveries and we are rendering such service for other customers in connection with shipments destined to Pennsylvania.

Pitt-Ohio holds itself out to provide delivery service in the application area either on the same day that the shipments are picked up or the next day. We can arrange for

scheduled deliveries on a specific date in order to accommodate the customers of the supporting shipper. Our company has developed a good working relationship with the shipper's management and operating personnel. We feel confident that through our cooperation we will be able to establish an economical and efficient distribution system in handling shipments in the application area. Our company has already invested a considerable amount of time in reviewing the details concerning the needs of the shipper and the proposed operation and we are convinced that we can provide the type of transportation service that is required.

10. Financial Data.

There is attached to my statement as Appendix 3 the latest available balance sheet of Pitt-Ohio. Appendix 3 shows that Pitt-Ohio's finances are adequate and that it is financially able to perform additional service needed by the shipping public.

There is also attached to my statement as Appendix 4 the latest income statement of applicant. Appendix 3 shows that Pitt-Ohio operated at a profit during the period detailed therein.

11. Feasibility of Operations; Environmental Impact.

Applicant is experienced in the transportation of the wide range of commodities that are dealt in by the supporting shipper. Our company is also familiar with the application

territory as a result of our past and existing operations pursuant to PUC and ICC authority. For instance, applicant presently picks up and delivers freight to points throughout Pennsylvania on a regular daily basis.

In view of the fact that the shipper's McKees Rocks warehouse is located only a few miles from our main terminal in Pittsburgh, applicant expects to be able to coordinate the proposed service with its existing operations. Pitt-Ohio presently consolidates LTL shipments and conducts a peddle run operation for delivery to consignees located in Pennsylvania. We do not foresee any problems in expanding this operation to render additional service for customers of the supporting shipper in this area. This will permit Pitt-Ohio to make greater utilization of its equipment which will result in increasing the efficiency of our operation.

Applicant has the ability to trip-lease equipment to other authorized carriers in order to reduce deadhead mileage. However, in view of the nature of the proposed service, it is not expected that trip-leasing will play a significant part in our operation.

The proposed service will not have any adverse effect on the quality in the human environment. Moreover, there will be substantial benefits to the supporting shipper, health care facilities which are customers of the shipper, and the shipping public in general as a result of the availability of applicant's service.

12. Other Information Deemed Pertinent by the Witness.

Pitt-Ohio is rendering service to the supporting shipper at its McKees Rocks facility in transporting the commodities involved in this application to points located outside of Pennsylvania. Our company is seeking to expand the scope of its intrastate operations so that it can provide a more complete and comprehensive service to the shipper. If this application is approved, equipment which is dispatched to the McKees Rocks facility can be used to handle both interstate and intrastate shipments. Pitt-Ohio has the necessary type and amount of equipment to provide the shipper with an efficient transportation service. Furthermore, applicant believes that this service will be responsive to a public need as indicated by the evidence of the supporting shipper.

Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc. requests that the Commission approve this application.

PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Public Meeting held January 9, 1981

Commissioners Present:

Susan M. Shanaman, Chairman
Michael Johnson
James H. Cawley
Linda C. Taliaferro

Application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc., for approval of the transfer to it of part of the operating rights held by Hammel's Express, Inc., at A-00088995, Folder 2.

A-00102471

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BY THE COMMISSION:

By application docketed October 3, 1980, Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc., a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, seeks approval of the transfer to it of part of the rights granted to Hammel's Express, Inc., a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the certificate issued at A-00088995, Folder 2.

We find the applicant to be fit to hold a certificate of public convenience and that approval of the application is necessary and proper for the continuation of service to the public; THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED: That the application for the transfer of part of the rights held by Hammel's Express, Inc., at A-00088995, Folder 2, be approved and that a certificate be issued to the applicant granting the following right:

To transport, as a Class D carrier, such commodities as are dealt in by retail shoe stores, from the distribution facility of Kinney Service Corp., in the township of Hampden, Cumberland County, to points in the counties of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Armstrong, Westmoreland, Fayette and Washington;

subject to the following conditions:

1. That the approval hereby given is not to be understood as committing the Commission, in any proceedings that may be brought before it for any purpose, to fix a valuation on the right to be acquired by applicant from the present certificate holder equal to the consideration to be paid therefor, or equal to any value that may be placed thereon by applicant, or to approve or prescribe rates sufficient to yield a return thereon.

2. That applicant shall not receive accounts any amount representing the right herein granted, in excess of the actual cost of such right to the original holder thereof.

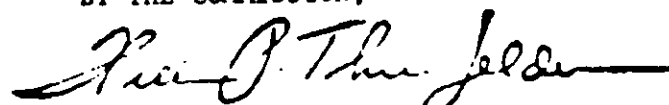
3. That the applicant charge to Account 1550, Other Intangible Property, \$1.00, being the amount of the consideration payable by it for the right and going concern value attributable thereto; less any amount recorded under condition 2 above.
4. That the operating authority granted herein, or now held or subsequently granted to the applicant to the extent that it is duplicative shall not be construed as conferring more than one operating right.
5. That the certificate holder shall comply with all of the provisions of the Public Utility Law as now existing or as may hereafter be amended, and Pa. Code Title 52, Chapter 31, as now existing or as may hereafter be amended, and any other rules and regulations as may hereafter be prescribed by the Commission. Failure to comply shall be sufficient cause to suspend, revoke or rescind the rights and privileges conferred by the certificate.
6. That the certificate holder shall not transfer, sell or in any way convey any of its outstanding capital stock to any individual, partnership, corporation or any entity, without the prior filing of an application and approval thereof by the Commission under Section 1102(3) of Title 66, PA C.S.A.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That the applicant shall not engage in any transportation granted herein until it has complied with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Law and the rules and regulations of this Commission relative to the filing and acceptance of evidence of insurance and a tariff establishing just and reasonable rates.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That in the event said applicant has not, on or before sixty (60) days from the date of the service of this order, complied with the requirements hereinbefore set forth, the application shall be dismissed without further proceedings.

the right granted the transferor ~~Hammer's Express, Inc., a corporation~~
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the Order adopted
July 10, 1980 a ~~1~~-00088995, Folder 2, Am-E, be cancelled.

BY THE COMMISSION,



William P. Thierfelder
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: January 9, 1981

ORDER ENTERED: JAN 23 1981

APPENDIX 2

PITT OHIO-EXPRESS, INC.

OWNED & LEASED EQUIPMENT LIST

<u>Comp. No.</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Registration</u>
5	1979	GMC	T49CJ9V625036
51	1979	GMC	T49CJ9V591663
52	1979	GMC	T49CJ9V625038
23	1974	International	10662CHA45316
43	1977	Mercedes Benz	34403012323406
47	1978	Mercedes Benz	34403012381014
48	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-442447
49	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-409764
54	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-442468
55	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-432735
56	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-432744
57	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-442456
58	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-427573
59	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-450581
60	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-450638
61	1979	Mercedes Benz	344030-12-450582
100	1981	GMC	1GDL7D1F1BV555625
101	1981	GMC	1GDL7D1G2BV557196
102	1981	GMC	1GDL7D1F6BV568273
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T530	1979	Strick	235928
T600	1982	Fruehauf	1H2V0452XBH056708
T601	1982	Fruehauf	1H2V04521BH056709
T602	1982	Fruehauf	1H2V04528BH056710
T603	1982	Fruehauf	1H2V0452XBH056711
T604	1982	Fruehauf	1H2V0452XBH056712

APPENDIX 3

PITT-OHIO EXPRESS, INC.
BALANCE SHEET - UNAUDITED
AT MAY 31, 1982

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash in Bank	\$ 127,467	
Account Receivable	115,678	
Prepaid Items	<u>15,202</u>	
<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u>		\$ 258,347

FIXED ASSETS AT COST

Revenue Equipment	\$ 118,076	
Office Equipment	212	
Leasehold Improvements	<u>3,188</u>	
	121,476	
Less: Allowance for Depreciation	<u>29,737</u>	91,739

OTHER ASSETS

Organization Costs	\$ 1,173	
Other Intangible Assets - C	<u>125,000</u>	
	126,173	
Less: Allowance for Amortization	<u>125,606</u>	<u>567</u>

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 350,653

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 69,623	
Interline Accounts Payable	256	
Payroll Deductions	1,756	
Wages Payable	33,650	
Accrued Taxes	1,371	
Other Accrued Liabilities	20,453	
Federal & State Income Taxes	<u>9,987</u>	
<u>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		\$ 137,096

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Common Stock	\$ 50,000	
Retained Earnings	<u>163,557</u>	
<u>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</u>		<u>213,557</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

\$ 350,653

APPENDIX 4

PITT-OHIO EXPRESS, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME - UNAUDITED

FOR THE FIVE MONTHS ENDED MAY 31, 1982

INCOME

Freight Revenue	\$ 750,537
C.O.D. Fees	<u>656</u>

TOTAL REVENUE

\$ 751,193

EXPENSES

Salaries - Officers	\$ 31,600
Salaries & Wages	192,751
Other Fringes	30,986
Operating Supplies & Expenses	126,040
General Supplies & Expenses	13,408
Operating Taxes & Licenses	20,968
Insurance	23,644
Communications & Utilities	11,100
Depreciation & Amortization	25,972
Equipment Rents & Purchased Transportation - B	188,355
Building & Office Equipment Rents - B	4,750
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>5,104</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES

674,678

NET OPERATING REVENUE

76,515

OTHER INCOME & EXPENSES

Interest Income	5,236
Interest Expense	<u>(3)</u>

NET PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAXES

81,748

Federal & State Income Taxes

22,380

NET INCOME

59,368

RETAINED EARNINGS - BEGINNING OF PERIOD

104,189

RETAINED EARNINGS - END OF PERIOD

\$ 163,557

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF *Pennsylvania*)
COUNTY OF *Allegheny*) ss:

ROBERT F. HAMMEL, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing statement, knows the contents thereof, and that the same are true as stated.

Robert F. Hammel
ROBERT F. HAMMEL

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 16th day of June, 1982

I. Glenn Stauffer
Notary Public

My commission expires:

I. GLENN STAUFFER, NOTARY PUBLIC
PITTSBURGH, ALLEGHENY COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 9, 1984
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

VERIFIED STATEMENT OF DAVID A. GIROUX
ON BEHALF OF USCO DISTRIBUTION SERVICES, INC.

1. Legal Name and Domicile of Supporting Shipper.

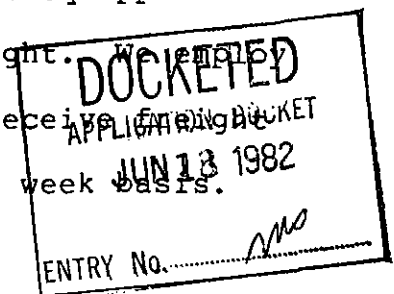
USCO Distribution Services, Inc. (USCO) is a Delaware corporation which has its headquarters in Middlebury, Connecticut. It also has business offices in McKees Rocks, Pa.

2. Identity and Qualifications of Witness.

My name is David A. Giroux and my business address is World Headquarters, Middlebury, Connecticut 06749. I am Vice President - Sales of USCO which position I have held for the last ten years. As Vice President - Sales, I am responsible for our company's shipping and receiving operations and I am familiar with its transportation needs and requirements. I have been authorized by USCO to submit this statement in support of the application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc. at Docket No. A. 102471, F. 1, Am-A.

3. General Description of Supporting Shipper.

USCO is engaged in the warehousing business, and it operates about 35 facilities at various large metropolitan areas throughout the country. As pertinent to this application, our company conducts a warehousing operation at a facility located in McKees Rocks, Pa. This warehouse consists of approximately 122,000 square feet and it is equipped with ten docks for loading and unloading freight. We employ 14 workers at the warehouse and we ship and receive from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on a five-day per week basis.



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4. Specific Description of Commodities Applied For.

The items warehoused at our McKees Rocks facility can be categorized as hospital service products. These products include every type of material and supply that a medical facility would use in connection with its daily operation. These would include such items as mops, wheelchairs, crutches, etc. and it would be accurate to describe these commodities as everything from band-aids to operating tables.

Because of the degree to which these items vary in size, weight and shape, there is no one means by which they are packaged for transportation. Some items are palletized other are shipped loose, and others are containerized in 40-gallon drums.

5. Volume and Frequency of Traffic.

USCO is undertaking a new program in its warehousing distribution operation to serve medical care facilities in Pennsylvania including members of hospital groups. Our company is supporting this application so that Pitt-Ohio's motor carrier services will be available to implement this program. Initially we anticipate that there will be approximately three to four less-than-truckload shipments per day moving outbound from our McKees Rocks warehouse. Each shipment will weigh about 1,000 to 2,000 pounds each. We anticipate that after the program becomes well-established we will have a sufficient number of orders to consolidate into truckload shipments and, if the program is successful, we could have one to two consolidated truckloads per day.

The inbound shipments will consist of hospital supplies and equipment which are transported from suppliers in Pennsylvania. The volume of inbound shipments will depend completely upon the market conditions including availability of product from local suppliers and competitive prices.

As I previously mentioned, the customers for our warehousing service consist of hospital groups and various types of medical institutions. We are responsible for making the necessary arrangements to delivery the equipment and supplies to our customers, and USCO pays the freight charges on all of the outbound shipments and a substantial portion of the inbound shipments.

6. Amount of Traffic to be Tendered to Applicant.

Our company intends to utilize Pitt-Ohio's motor carrier services exclusively in implementing and conducting our new distribution operation at our McKees Rocks warehouse. We have reviewed this matter with applicant and we have every reason to believe that it will be able to handle 100% of our traffic and provide our company with satisfactory services.

7. Specific Origins and Destinations.

All outbound shipments to our customers will originate from our warehouse in McKees Rocks, Allegheny County. The destinations for these shipments will be facilities of hospitals, medical institutions, geriatric centers, and

related health care facilities. Attached as Appendix 1 is a representative list of the institutions and their addresses which we expect to serve from our McKees Rocks warehouse.

Appendix 1 indicates that there are over 100 hospitals and medical facilities that are potential customers. There are in excess of 50 points where such customers are located. All of the institutions set forth in Appendix 1 are members of a hospital council for a group purchasing program. There are other organizations and institutions located throughout Pennsylvania which our company could serve once our new program is set up. Any point in the application area where a health care facility is located is a potential destination.

8. How the Traffic Now Moves.

The hospitals that would be served in our warehousing operation are presently receiving their traffic on a shipment-by-shipment basis directly from manufacturers or suppliers of the goods that they purchase. The purpose of our innovative warehousing operation is to eliminate the necessity of a health care facility receiving numerous small shipments from various suppliers. As will be discussed later in more detail, our proposal is to consolidate all of the shipments so that the facility can receive all of its weekly supplies on one delivery.

9. Nonexisting Services and Deficiencies.

USCO does not know of any carrier which has the authority as well as the equipment and personnel that can provide us with the type of motor carrier service needed to implement this new program. All of the carriers which presently serve our facility do not have broad enough authority to serve the application area or are not willing to commit themselves to the type of operation that will be required. Adequate motor carrier service is absolutely critical for the proposed operation to be feasible.

10. Type of Service Required.

USCO requires the services of a motor common carrier which is capable of handling small less-than-truckload shipments as well as consolidated truckloads of less-than-truckload shipments. This necessitates that the carrier be willing and able to provide multiple stop off deliveries. For instance, a number of LTL shipments would be loaded on a single trailer at our McKees Rocks warehouse and deliveries would be scheduled to several facilities in a given area. Deliveries would have to be made in accord with the prearranged schedule and it would be necessary for the equipment to be dispatched directly to the customers' facilities for delivery. This means that the LTL shipments could not be transported back to a carrier's terminal and consolidated with other shipments due to the fact that this would result in delays in transit.

When a customer requests that delivery be made on a certain date, it is important to our operation that we be able to guarantee that the materials and supplies will be available for unloading at that time. Hospitals generally do not carry a large inventory of items. Consequently, one advantage of our warehousing operation would be to make available materials and supplies which are needed on short notice.

Another essential requirement is that the carrier be willing to work closely with our personnel in setting up this operation in order to work out any operational problems which arise. Pitt-Ohio has demonstrated to us that it is willing to work closely with our personnel to establish an efficient distribution system. USCO must have available the services of a dependable carrier so that we can fulfill our commitments and aggressively solicit the business of customers based upon representations that their orders will be filled and delivered on time.

11. Similar Applications Supported.

USCO is not supporting any other carrier for authority similar to that involved in this application.

12. Other Information Deemed Pertinant by the Witness.

Our company is undertaking a major operation to alter the distribution system that services hospitals and other

health care facilities. This involves a considerable amount of preparation, planning and expense in order to implement the program. We have already laid the ground work and we are continuing to proceed with soliciting customers and making other arrangements in anticipation of commencing operations. We have worked with Pitt-Ohio throughout the planning stages to ascertain the feasibility of our proposal. It is vital to our operation that Pitt-Ohio be granted authority in order to serve our McKees Rocks facility on both an inbound and outbound basis so that it can provide us with a complete service in handling the many types of materials, supplies and equipment required by medical institutions.

We have every reason to believe that Pitt-Ohio has the necessary equipment, personnel and experience to render satisfactory service to our distribution operation. USCO respectfully requests that the Commission grant this application so that Pitt-Ohio's motor carrier service will be available to our company.

APPENDIX 1

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ALLEGHENY VALLEY HOSPITAL
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ALTOONA HOSPITAL
Howard Ave. & Seventh St.
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CANONSBURG GENERAL HOSPITAL
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MAGEE-WOMENS HOSPITAL
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STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
 PENNSYLVANIA) ss:
COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN)

DAVID A. GIROUX , being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing statement, knows the contents thereof, and that the same are true as stated.

David A. Giroux
DAVID A. GIROUX

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 11 day of JUNE, 1982.

Nancy A. Hulbert
Notary Public

My commission expires: 3/31/86

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth in the foregoing statements submitted in support of the application, Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission grant the amended application in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,



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Due Date: June 17, 1982

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing upon all parties of record in accordance with the Rules of Practice.

Dated at Pittsburgh, Pa. this 16th day of June, 1982.



David M. O'Boyle

June 21, 1982

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A-00102471, F. 1, Am-A - Application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc.

Dear Mr. Vuono:

We have received the verified statements filed in the above referenced proceeding.

The record will be reviewed and will be put before the Commission for its decision. You will be notified of the Commission's action.

Very truly yours,

By Richard H. White
For Peter S. Marzolf, Chief
Technical Review Section
Bureau of Non-Rail Transportation

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10. (a) **CAPTION** (abbreviate if more than 4 lines)
 (b) **Short summary** of history & facts, documents & briefs
 (c) **Recommendation**

(a) Application of Pitt-Ohio Express, Inc., Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, for amendment to its common carrier certificate: SO AS TO PERMIT the transportation of property, except commodities in bulk and household goods in use, from the facilities of USCO Distribution Services, Inc., located in the borough of McKees Rocks, Allegheny County, to points in Pennsylvania, and vice versa.

(b) There are no protests and no hearings were held. We find that the applicant has shown that a public need for the service as proposed does exist and that it is fit, ready, willing and able to properly render same.

(c) The Bureau of Non-Rail Transportation recommends that the Commission adopt the proposed order approving the application.

11. <u>MOTION BY:</u>	Commissioner Johnson	Commissioner Chm. Shanaman - Yes
		Commissioner Taliaferro - Yes
<u>SECONDED:</u>	Commissioner Cawley	Commissioner Jones - Yes

CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.

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