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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheets

1. <u>REPORT DATE:</u> October 24, 1988	2. <u>BUREAU AGENDA NO.</u> NOV-88-T-1181*
3. <u>BUREAU:</u> Transportation	
4. <u>SECTION</u> Technical Review	5. <u>PUBLIC MEETING DATE:</u> November 10, 1988
6. <u>APPROVED BY:</u> Director: Ernst 7-2154 Supervisor: Bigelow/Marzolf 3-5945	
7. <u>MONITOR:</u>	
8. <u>PERSON IN CHARGE:</u> Zeigler 3-5946	
9. <u>DOCKET NO.:</u> A-00108261	
10. (a) <u>CAPTION</u> (abbreviate if more than 4 lines) (b) Short summary of history & facts, documents & briefs (c) Recommendation	

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(a) Application of Northampton County Motor Club, a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Easton, Northampton County, for a brokerage license evidencing the Commission's approval of the beginning of the right and privilege to operate as a broker, for the transportation of persons between points in the county of Northampton, and from points in said county to points in Pennsylvania.

(b) The application is unopposed. The applicant has established its fitness to hold a brokerage license. Approval of the application is consistent with the public interest and policy declared at 66 Pa. C.S. §2501.

(c) The Bureau of Transportation recommends that the Commission adopt the proposed order approving the application for a brokerage license.

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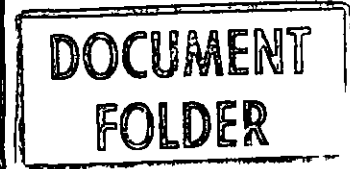
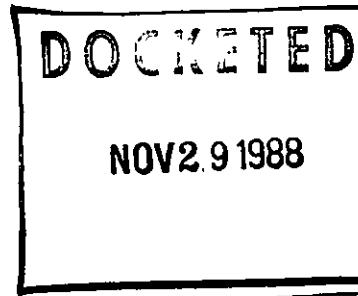
11. <u>MOTION BY:</u>	Commissioner Chm. Shane	Commissioner Taliaferro - Yes Commissioner Rhodes - Yes
<u>SECONDED:</u>	Commissioner Smith	Commissioner Fischl - Yes

CONTENT OF MOTION: Staff recommendation adopted.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, Pa. 17120
November 17, 1988

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE
A-00108261



Northampton County Motor Club
3914 Hecktown Road
Easton, PA 18042

Application of Northampton County Motor Club, a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Enclosed is the compliance order issued by the Commission in this proceeding.

The brokerage license evidencing the Commission's approval of the right to operate will not be issued until the applicant furnishes a bond or other security approved by the Commission in an amount of not less than \$10,000 to insure the financial responsibility of the applicant in providing brokerage services.

No broker shall operate until it has complied with the above requirement and a brokerage license has been issued authorizing actual operations. Brokers operating without complying with the above requirement will be subject to the penalty provisions of the Public Utility Law.

Commission regulations require compliance with all of the above requirements within sixty days of the date of this letter. Failure to comply within the sixty day period will cause the Commission to rescind the action of November 10, 1988 and dismiss the application without further proceedings.

Very truly yours,

Jerry Rich, Secretary

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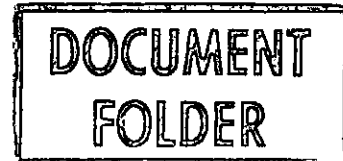
Questions concerning the bond filing should be directed to: Mr. McCarthy-Insurance
Section (717)787-1227

PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Public Meeting held November 10, 1988

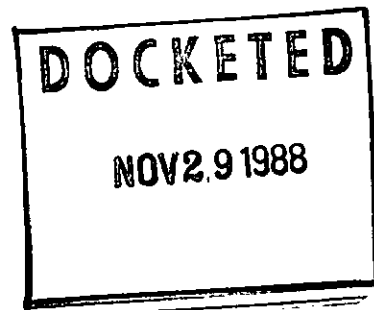
Commissioners Present:

Bill Shane, Chairman
William H. Smith, Vice-Chairman
Linda C. Taliaferro
Joseph Rhodes, Jr.
Frank Fischl



Application of Northampton County Motor Club, a corporation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for a brokerage license evidencing the Commission's approval of the beginning of the right and privilege to operate as a broker, for the transportation of persons, between points in the county of Northampton, and from points in said county, to points in Pennsylvania.

A-00108261



O R D E R

BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter comes before the Commission on an application filed July 25, 1988. Public notice of the application was given in the Pennsylvania Bulletin of August 6, 1988. The unopposed application is certified to the Commission for its decision without oral hearing.

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

The applicant seeks to initiate a brokerage service for the arrangement of the transportation of persons between points in Northampton County and from points in that county to points in Pennsylvania. The offices of the applicant are located at 3914 Hecktown Road, Easton, Northampton County. The applicant plans to offer the public charter buses for groups and organizations and to book individuals on bus trips.

The Northampton County Motor Club is an affiliate of the American Automobile Association which is headquartered in Falls Church, Virginia. The Easton office was founded in 1912 and chartered in 1918 as the Easton Motor Association. In 1931, the charter was amended to Northampton County Motor Club. The Northampton County Motor Club has 20 full-time employees. It currently operates an all-inclusive travel agency arranging for interstate and international trips. Northampton County Motor Club feels it is qualified

to provide intrastate brokerage service as its current business covers all phases of travel.

As evidence of its financial capacity to initiate the brokerage service, the applicant provided a balance sheet dated December 31, 1987. It reports total current assets of \$484,983, total assets of \$1,022,090, and total liabilities of \$181,825.

Our primary concern in determination of this application for a brokerage license encompasses the applicant's fitness to provide the service and its ability to post the required \$10,000 surety bond for the protection of the public. We determine from this information whether issuance of the license is consistent with the public interest. It is our opinion the evidence of record in this case establishes the applicant's fitness. The applicant has extensive experience in the travel and tour industry, has an office in the county in which it will be headquartered and has ongoing contacts with which to develop the intrastate portion of its business. The applicant's financial capacity appears to be such that it is capable of posting the required bond.

We find:

1. The applicant is fit, ready, willing and able to adequately provide the proposed brokerage service.
2. The proposed service, to the extent authorized by the brokerage license, is consistent with the public interest and policy declared at 66 Pa. C.S. §2501; THEREFORE,

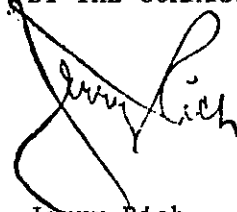
IT IS ORDERED: That the application be and is hereby approved granting the following right:

To operate, as a broker, for the transportation of persons and their baggage, between points in the county of Northampton, and from points in the said county to points in Pennsylvania.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That upon compliance with the requirements of the Public Utility Code and the rules and regulations of the Commission relating to the posting of a surety bond, a license shall issue evidencing approval of the right to operate as above-determined.

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

BY THE COMMISSION,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerry Rich". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jerry Rich
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: November 10, 1988

ORDER ENTERED: NOV 17 1988

