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August 12, 2024

A-6427338
A-2024-3050601

LHC TRANSPORT SERVICES LLC
239 4TH AVENUE SUITE 1401
PITTSBURGH PA 15222

RE: Application of LHC Transport Services LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

On August 7, 2024, the application of LHC Transport Services LLC, at A-2024-3050601, as a motor carrier was accepted for filing and docketed with the Public Utility Commission. In order for the Commission to proceed with the application, additional information is required.

Please forward the information to the Secretary of the Commission at the following address **within ten (10) working days** from the date of this letter.

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

ALL Parties to proceedings pending before the Commission are advised to open and use an e-filing account through the Commission's website. If a filing contains confidential or proprietary material, the filing is required to be submitted by overnight delivery.

Your answers should be verified per 52 Pa Code § 1.36. Accordingly, you must provide the following statement with your responses:

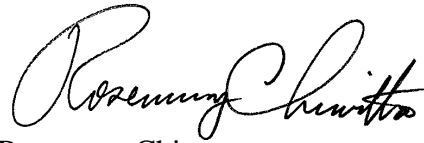
I, _____, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

The blank should be filled in with the name of the appropriate company representative, and the signature of that representative should follow the statement.

Failure to comply with this request within 10 working days from the date of this letter will result in the denial of the application.

Please direct any questions to David Canzoneri, Bureau of Technical Utility Services at (717) 346-9738. Faxed or emailed filings are **not** accepted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosemary Chiavetta". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being particularly prominent.

Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

Enclosure

Docket No. A-2024-3050601
LHC Transport Services LLC

Request for Information

- 1.) In your answer to question #10 of the application, you stated that you intend “to transport people who are physically and intellectually disabled, whose personal convictions prevent them from owning and operating motor vehicles from points [in] Berks County to [points in] counties in Philadelphia, Montgomery, Delaware and Bucks.
 - a. Do you plan on transporting **only** physically, intellectually, and developmentally disabled people from sects like the Amish (people whose personal convictions prevent them from owning and operating motor vehicles), because the territory and service that you provided would allow you only to do the above.
 - i. If not, do you intend to transport the general public, or just limited to certain people. If limiting, please define who you are limiting your services to.
 - b. Are you planning on transporting these individuals (the general public, or otherwise) in general paratransit service, or are you limiting yourself just to non-emergency medical transportation?
 - c. Is it your intention to only pick up individuals in Berks County and transport them to places in the Counties of Bucks, Delaware, Montgomery, and the City and County of Philadelphia?
 - i. If so, do you plan on also dropping off in Berks County, or just picking up?
 - ii. Do you plan on picking up in any other county other than that of Berks County?
 - d. If Certificated, please know that you can only transport the individuals identified, and the places specifically mentioned as points of origination and termination approved by the Commission. Any person not granted by your certificate will not be able to be transported. And you will not be able to drop off or pick up in any territory not granted by your certificate.

- 2.) You failed to adequately answer all aspects of question #5 of the Verified Statement of Applicant. Please review Title 52 Pa Code §29.501-509 Driver Regulations to see what is required of motor carriers.
 - a. Age Restrictions;
 - i. What if any age restrictions will you have for intended drivers? Please provide a policy on the age of drivers that complies with the regulations mentioned above.
 - b. Your system for conducting criminal background checks;
 - i. How often will the criminal background checks be conducted?
 - ii. What type of things in their criminal background check would disqualify them from employment?
 - iii. How will you maintain records (record retention) of the criminal background checks performed?

- c. Your system for conducting driver license/history checks;
 - i. How often will these checks be performed?
 - ii. How will you maintain records (record retention) of such checks?
- 3.) In question #7 of the Verified Statement of Applicant you are asked to describe your vehicle safety program. You stated that vehicles would undergo periodic vehicle maintenance every 30 days, but failed to identify what exactly that would entail. Do you plan on conducting any pre/post trip inspections, and if so, what would they entail? Also, you failed to provide your system for ensuring your vehicles will continuously comply with applicable Pennsylvania vehicle equipment standards (67 Pa. Code, Chapter 175.) Please provide the aforementioned information.
- 4.) In your Statement of Financial Position, you list \$1,000 worth of motor vehicle equipment. Is this a vehicle, because no vehicle was listed in question #6 of the Verified Statement of Applicant? Please explain this discrepancy. Please note the Statement of Financial Position is to only include assets and liabilities in the name of the LLC, as such we are requesting a new Statement of Financial Position, if the assets and liabilities has changed.

**PLEASE ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS THOROUGHLY ON A
SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER**