

**PENNSYLVANIA  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
Harrisburg, PA 17120**

Public Meeting held June 4, 2026

Commissioners Present:

Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman  
Kimberly Barrow, Vice Chair  
Kathryn L. Zerfuss  
John F. Coleman, Jr.  
Ralph V. Yanora

Application of GoDEZI LLC

A-2026-3059728  
A-6419442

**OPINION AND ORDER**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

Before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) for consideration and disposition is the Petition for Reconsideration from Staff Action (Petition), filed on March 6, 2026, by Mr. Daniel C. Toddes, owner of GoDEZI LLC (GoDEZI or Applicant), relative to the Secretarial Letter the Commission issued on February 13, 2026 (*February 2026 Secretarial Letter*), in the above-captioned proceeding. By the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter*, the Commission denied GoDEZI's Application for non-emergency transportation as a Motor Common Carrier of Persons in Paratransit Service (Application) due to the Applicant's failure to file required information with the Commission.

For the reasons set forth herein, we will deny the Petition, consistent with this Opinion and Order.

### **I. History of the Proceeding**

On January 9, 2026, GoDEZI filed its Application for Motor Common Carrier of Persons in Paratransit Service for general transportation needs, non-emergency medical transportation, and other transportation needs in standard passenger vehicles and wheelchair accessible vehicles. The Applicant proposed to service Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata, Centre, Blair, Bedford, Clearfield, Somerset, Franklin, Fulton, Perry, Cumberland, Dauphin, Adams, Montour, Snyder, Union, and Northumberland Counties in Pennsylvania. Application at 1-3.

As part of the Application, in the Verified Statement of Applicant portion of the Application, the Applicant was instructed to provide answers to all of the questions regarding its proposed service. The Verified Statement of Applicant requested information including, but not limited to: (1) the list of the Applicant's affiliation; (2) the Applicant's business experience; (3) a description of the Applicant's facilities record maintenance plan and communication network; (4) the number of drivers the Applicant intends to use or hire, along with an explanation for why that number is appropriate for the size of the service territory the Applicant will be serving; (5) the number of vehicles the Applicant plans to use in the business and why that number is appropriate to provide reasonable and efficient service to the proposed service territory; (6) a description of the vehicle safety program; (7) an explanation of steps taken to obtain insurance and to pay the required insurance premiums; (8) an instruction that the Applicant state whether applicant has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony; and (9) financial data. Application 5-7.

On January 14, 2026, the Commission’s Bureau of Technical Utility Services (TUS) issued a Request for Information (*January 2026 Data Request*), in which TUS notified GoDEZI that additional information was required “**within ten (10) working days**” of the date on the *January 2026 Data Request* letter, in order for TUS to proceed with the Application. *January 2026 Data Request* at 1 (Emphasis in original). Further the *January 2026 Data Request*: (1) instructed GoDEZI that its responses must include: a signed verification with an original signature, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.36; (2) supplied a sample Verification. *Id* at 1-2.

Additionally, the *January 2026 Data Request* set forth several requests for information, including the following:

- 1.) Given the compliance issues that you have previously had, what steps have you taken to ensure that these will not be an issue going forward?
- 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. Question #5 of the Verified Statements of Applicant asks you to state the number of drivers you intend to use or hire in your business and explain why that number of drivers is appropriate for the size of territory you will be serving.
    - i. Please state the number of drivers you plan to use?
    - ii. Why is the number appropriate for the proposed territory?
    - iii. You stated that you only have one vehicle (a 2005 Dodge Grand Caravan), yet you have requested a territory that spans 18 counties and approximately a quarter of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. How do you plan to provide safe, efficient and reliable service to such a vast territory with so few resources?

- b. Your system for conducting criminal background checks; (**Title 52 Pa Code §29.505 – Criminal History**)
  - i. How often will you conduct criminal background checks?
  - 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; (**Title 52 Pa Code §29.504 – Driver History**)
  - i. How often will you conduct driver license/history checks?
  - ii. How will you maintain records (record retention) of such checks?
  
- d. If an individual is suspected to be using drug or alcohol, you stated that they would be tested and disciplined accordingly.
  - i. Please define what “disciplined accordingly” would entail.
  
- 3.) As part of your periodic vehicle maintenance plan, you stated that your vehicles would be regularly serviced for oil and fluid changes and other preventive maintenance would be conducted.
  - a. Please provide the schedule that this work will be conducted on as well as a comprehensive list of all preventative maintenance that will be conducted on your vehicle(s).
  
- 4.) Please provide your system for ensuring your vehicles will continuously comply with applicable Pennsylvania vehicle equipment standards (67 Pa. Code, Chapter 175.)
  
- 5.) Please review the below criteria and submit a new Statement of Financial Position:
  - a. The information is to be exact and should not include estimates or approximations when accurate numbers are available. Property and vehicle valuations

may be approximations, but bank accounts and loan balances should be exact amounts (rounded to the nearest dollar).

b. All relevant assets and debts are to be included (for example: vehicle loan balances/vehicle asset value, lease expenses, etc.).

c. The information provided is also to be strictly limited to assets and debts held by the applicant (GoDEZI LLC), and not the individual member(s). Any property and accounts listed must be registered or titled to the corporation. Bank accounts must be in the name of GoDEZI LLC. Vehicles must be registered to GoDEZI LLC. Property must be titled to GoDEZI LLC. If these items are not in the name of GoDEZI LLC, then they should not be included on the balance sheet.

If you have not fully funded and equipped the business, now is the time to do so (before re-submitting your corrections). Applicants lacking suitable finances, resources, and equipment will be denied authority.

d. In order to fully assist the Commission in determining your financial fitness, please provide supporting documentation for the statement of financial position (balance sheet). Acceptable means of support include current copies of bank statements (account numbers may be redacted) and notarized/official statements of account balances/ownership provided by bank officers (with current contact information). Any and all claimed vehicles or land/buildings must also include proof of ownership/registration vehicle titles, vehicle registrations, property titles, purchase agreements, etc.

*January 2026 Data Request at 3-4.*

No response to TUS' *January 2026 Data Request* was received.

On February 13, 2026, the Commission issued the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter*, denying and dismissing the Application for failure of the Applicant to file the required information with the Commission. In pertinent part, the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter* stated, as follows:

The purpose of this Letter is to advise you that your application for Paratransit authority at Docket No. A-2026-3059728 has been DENIED by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission). The Commission has determined that a Certificate of Public Convenience shall not be granted for the following reason(s):

- **Failure to File Required Information.** A letter dated January 14, 2026, was sent informing you that the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission required additional information in order to complete the processing of GoDezi LLC's application for authority. The letter informed you that failure to submit the required information within ten days would result in dismissal of the application. To date, more than thirty days later, you have not adequately complied with all aspects of that request.

For this reason(s), your application is **DENIED** and **DISMISSED**.

*February 2026 Secretarial Letter* at 1 (*emphasis in original*).

In addition, the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter* informed GoDEZI that, if it disagreed with the Commission's determination, then it may submit a Petition for Reconsideration from Staff Action with the Commission's Secretary within twenty (20) days of the date of the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter*. The *February 2026 Secretarial Letter* also outlined instructions regarding the form and content of such a Petition, including references to the inclusion of relevant documentation and a signed verification statement, with an original signature, as set forth in 52 Pa. Code §§ 1.31 and 5.44.

Further, TUS provided the Applicant with a sample verification statement.  
*February 2026 Secretarial Letter* at 2.

As noted, *supra*, on March 6, 2026, GoDEZI filed the instant Petition.<sup>1</sup> No response to the Petition has been filed.

## II. Discussion

### A. Legal Standards

Petitions for Reconsideration from Staff Action are governed by the Commission's Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure at 52 Pa. Code § 5.44(a), which provides the following:

Actions taken by staff, other than a presiding officer, under authority delegated by the Commission, will be deemed to be the final action of the Commission unless reconsideration is sought from the Commission within 20 days after service of notice of the action, unless a different time period is specified in this chapter or in the act.

52 Pa. Code § 5.44(a).

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<sup>1</sup> As noted above, the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter* established a 20-day deadline for GoDEZI to file a Petition for Reconsideration from Staff Action. *See February 2026 Secretarial Letter* at 2. Because the prescribed 20-day deadline ended on March 5, 2026, GoDEZI's Petition, filed on March 6, 2026, was untimely by one day. Nevertheless, we will exercise our discretion to consider the Petition, pursuant to our Regulation at 52 Pa. Code § 1.2(a), which permits us to disregard an error or defect of procedure which does not affect the substantive rights of the parties. 52 Pa. Code § 1.2(a). Our determination to consider GoDEZI's untimely Petition is made in recognition of the fact that GoDEZI is an Applicant filing the instant Application and the associated Petition for the first time, and that no objections to the Petition have been raised. We caution GoDEZI that any further untimely submissions may not warrant the same consideration and could form the basis for the delay in processing, or in the outright dismissal, of a future Application.

Courts have held that “[a] litigant’s burden of proof before administrative tribunals as well as before most civil proceedings is satisfied by establishing a preponderance of evidence which is substantial and legally credible.” *Samuel J. Lansberry, Inc. v. Pa. PUC*, 578 A.2d 600, 602 (Pa. Cmwlth. 1990). Additionally, Section 332(a) of the Public Utility Code (Code), 66 Pa.C.S. § 332(a), provides that the party seeking a rule or order from the Commission has the burden of proof in that proceeding.

In this proceeding, GoDEZI is the party seeking affirmative relief from the Commission. Therefore, GoDEZI is the party with the burden of proof. *See Application of 610 Hauling, LLC, t/a College Hunks Hauling Junk, for the right to begin to transport, as a common carrier, by motor vehicle, household goods in use, from points in the counties of Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia, and Bucks, to points in Pennsylvania*, Docket Nos. A-2012-2334103 and A-8915269 (Opinion and Order entered November 5, 2015) (*citing Se-Ling Hosiery, Inc. v. Margulies*, 70 A.2d 854 (Pa. 1950)).

The Commission’s Regulations, at 52 Pa. Code §§ 3.381-85, and the Commission’s Policy Statement, at 52 Pa. Code § 41.14, establish the evidentiary guidelines and criteria to be examined by the Commission when considering whether to grant or deny an application for passenger carrier authority.

The Commission’s Policy Statement at 52 Pa. Code § 41.14 provides as follows:

§ 41.14. Evidentiary criteria used to decide motor common carrier applications – statement of policy.

An applicant seeking motor common carrier authority has the burden of demonstrating that it possesses the technical and financial ability to provide the proposed service. In addition, authority may be withheld if the record demonstrates that the

applicant lacks a propensity to operate safely and legally. In evaluating whether a motor carrier applicant can satisfy these fitness standards, the Commission will ordinarily examine the following factors, when applicable:

- (1) Whether an applicant has sufficient capital, equipment, facilities and other resources necessary to serve the territory request.
- (2) Whether an applicant and its employees have sufficient technical expertise and experience to serve the territory requested.
- (3) Whether an applicant has or is able to secure sufficient and continuous insurance coverage for all vehicles to be used or useful in the provision of service to the public.
- (4) Whether an applicant has an appropriate plan to comply with the Commission's driver and vehicle safety regulations and service standards in Chapter 29 (relating to motor carriers of passengers).
- (5) An applicant's record, if any, of compliance with 66 Pa. C.S. (relating to Public Utility Code), this title and the Commission's orders.
- (6) Whether an applicant or its drivers have been convicted of a felony crime of moral turpitude and remains subject to supervision by a court or correctional institution.

52 Pa. Code § 41.14.

Finally, pursuant to Section 1103(a) of the Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 1103(a), an application for a certificate of public convenience should be granted only if the Commission finds that "the granting of such certificate is necessary or proper for the service, accommodation, convenience or safety of the public." *Id.*

## **B. Petition**

In its Petition, the Applicant seeks reconsideration of the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter*. GoDEZI's Petition consists of forty-one pages including the Petition and supporting documents and responses to the *January 2026 Data Request* and the verification page, signed by Daniel C. Toddes, the owner of GoDEZI. First, GoDEZI asserts that it filed its response to the *January 2026 Data Request*. However, the Applicant avers that on February 2, 2026, it received notification that the filing could not be accepted because GoDEZI filed it as multiple documents, as opposed to a single document. GoDEZI states that it was unaware that a single document was required. GoDEZI seeks to refile in the appropriate format (as a single document) and submitted responses to address each of the questions and subsections raised in the *January 2026 Data Request*. Petition at 1 and Attachments.

The Petition and Attachments, which were responses to the Data Requests, were filed on March 6, 2026. GoDEZI asks the Commission to thus reconsider the denial of its motor carrier application. Petition at 1.

## **C. Disposition**

In considering the Petition, we note that any issue not specifically addressed shall be deemed duly considered and denied without further discussion. It is well settled that we are not required to consider expressly or at length each contention or argument raised by the parties. *Consolidated Rail Corp. v. Pa. PUC*, 625 A.2d 741 (Pa. Cmwlth. 1993); *see also University of Pennsylvania v. Pa. PUC*, 485 A.2d 1217 (Pa. Cmwlth. 1984).

Based on our review of the Applicant's Petition, the Attachments thereto, and the associated case documents, we will deny the Petition. As discussed below, we

conclude that Go DEZI failed to timely file responses to the *January 2026 Data Request*. As noted previously, the responses to the *January 2026 Data Request* were due within ten (10) working days after the issuance of the January 14, 2026 Secretarial Letter sent with the *January 2026 Data Request*, or by no later than January 28, 2026. In its Petition GoDEZI states that it filed the responses to the *January 2026 Data Request*, but does not offer any proof of what date it filed. In addition, GoDEZI also mentions that it was notified on February 2, 2026 that its filing could not be accepted due to it having filed multiple documents rather than a single document. While trying to comply with the single document filing requirement, the Applicant represents that it received the February 2026 Secretarial Letter denying its Application. Subsequently, it filed the responses as one document on March 6, 2026, which was more than a month after the due date and thus makes them an untimely response to the *January 2026 Data Request*. GoDEZI does not offer any proof or offer any explanation as to why, if it had all of the responses ready prior to February 2, 2026, it took until March 6, 2026 to resubmit the response documents.

Based on our review of the Petition, the record, and the applicable law, we find that the Applicant has not timely filed its responses to the *January 2026 Data Requests* and has not provided sufficient information to rescind the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter*. Accordingly, we shall deny GoDEZI's Petition and uphold the *February 2026 Secretarial Letter* for failure of the Applicant to timely comply with a Commission data request, consistent with this Opinion and Order. However, we note that the Applicant may file a new application with the Commission if it so chooses.

### **III. Conclusion**

For the reasons discussed herein, we will deny the Petition and uphold the *February 2025 Secretarial Letter*, consistent with this Opinion and Order;

**THEREFORE,**

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That the Petition for Reconsideration from Staff Action filed by GoDEZI LLC on March 6, 2026, at Docket No. A-2026-3059728, is denied, consistent with this Opinion and Order.
  
2. That this proceeding shall be marked closed.

**BY THE COMMISSION,**



Matthew L. Homsher  
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: June 4, 2026

ORDER ENTERED: June 4, 2026