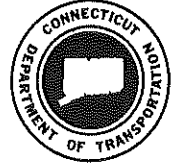




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DOCKET NO. 2202-N-14-L

RE: APPLICATION OF ARIDI MANOR LLC DBA ARIDI TRANSPORT TO OPERATE TWO (2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN GENERAL LIVERY SERVICE, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN PLAINFIELD.

DECISION

APRIL 20, 2022

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on February 14, 2022, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Aridi Manor LLC dba Aridi Transport (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 56 Sterling Road, Plainfield, Connecticut 06354 seeks authorization to operate two (2) motor vehicles, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Plainfield.

B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on April 14, 2022.

Notice of the application and of the hearing to be held thereon was given to the applicant and to such other parties as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended. Legal notice to the public was given by publication on the department's website.

A hearing officer designated by the Commissioner pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-17 conducted the hearing on this matter.

C. APPEARANCES

Ade Aridi-Russell appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 56 Sterling Road, Plainfield, Connecticut 06354.

Amber Copeland, Provider Operations Coordinator, testified in support of the application. Her mailing address is 425 Day Hill Road, Windsor, CT 06095.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant seeks to operate two (2) motor vehicles in general livery service from a headquarters in Plainfield.

2. The applicant proposes to operate a 2008 Dodge Caravan and a 2014 Dodge Caravan. Both vehicles are fully paid for.

3. The applicant has worked in various capacities for livery businesses for approximately 6 years.

4. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$12,272, maintenance costs of \$1,200, property tax of \$118, and communication costs of \$480.

5. The applicant has \$33,220 in a business bank account.

6. The applicant presented the testimony of Amber Copeland, Provider Operations Coordinator, for transportation broker Veyo.

7. Veyo has only one transportation provider East of Windham. Veyo has been using providers out of the area to service its clients.

8. The number of trips Veyo could refer to the applicant would be approximately 100 trips per day.

9. The applicant will be operating out of her house. There are no zoning issues operating a home office in this residence.

10. The applicant is in the process of getting her endorsement to drive a livery vehicle. She will be hiring a driver.

11. This application was not opposed.

III. DISCUSSION

The department has jurisdiction over each person, association, limited liability company or corporation owning or operating a motor vehicle in livery service, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, as amended.

In determining whether a livery permit should be granted, the department shall take into consideration the present or future public convenience and necessity. The applicant must prove that the public's convenience and necessity will be improved by the proposed service. Additionally, the applicant must show the suitability of the applicant or the suitability of the management if the applicant is a limited liability company or corporation, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of the applicant efficiently and properly to perform the service for which authority is requested and the fitness, willingness and ability of the applicant to conform to the provisions of the statutes and the requirements and regulations of the department thereunder, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103.

Regarding the applicant's suitability, the applicant submitted a criminal record check for the only member, Ade Aridi-Russell, which disclosed no criminal record. Ms. Aridi-Russell has six years' experience working in various livery services. Based on the evidence presented, the

applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of expenses includes: insurance costs of \$12,272, maintenance costs of \$1,200, property tax of \$118, and communication costs of \$480 for a total expense of \$14,070. The applicant has \$33,220 in a bank account to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant will be getting most of her work from Veyo. The applicant may also pick up additional work from general public trips. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for intrastate livery service.

IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Aridi Manor LLC dba Aridi Transport is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3739 is hereby issued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3739

Aridi Manor LLC dba Aridi Transport is authorized to operate two (2) motor vehicles in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Plainfield.

RESTRICTIONS:

The applicant must register and insure the two (2) general livery vehicles granted in this decision within ninety (90) days. Failure to do so may result in revocation of the general livery authority.

The authority granted under this permit may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational, i.e. a vehicle registered with livery plates thereunder for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

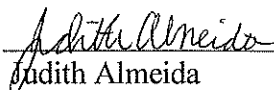
This permit shall remain in effect until it is amended, suspended or revoked by the department. Failure of the permit holder to maintain proper insurance and/or comply with all pertinent motor vehicle laws and other state statutes and/or rules, regulations and orders of the department shall be considered sufficient cause to amend, suspend or revoke said permit.

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the department, shall be

conspicuously posted in each motor vehicle operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 20th day of April 2022.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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