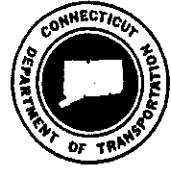




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DOCKET NO. 2312-N-158-L

RE: APPLICATION OF LIFE LINK TRANSPORT LLC TO OPERATE ONE
(1) GENERAL LIVERY MOTOR VEHICLE, WITH A SEATING
CAPACITY OF LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A
HEADQUARTERS IN WINDSOR

DECISION

JANUARY 23, 2024

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on December 19, 2023, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Life Link Transport LLC (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 360 Bloomfield Avenue, Suite 310, Windsor, Connecticut 06095 seeks authorization to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Windsor.

B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on January 16, 2024.

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

Abdulkadir Bwana Abdulkadir appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 360 Bloomfield Avenue, Suite 310, Windsor, Connecticut 06095.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant seeks to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service from a headquarters in Windsor.
2. The applicant will operate a 2008 Toyota Avalon which has been paid for.
3. The applicant has a livery endorsement. He is currently working for a taxicab company but has also worked for Uber and Lyft.
4. The applicant has an associate degree in accounting.

5. The first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$5,369, rent of \$414, property tax of \$79, maintenance costs of \$1,000 and communication costs of \$240.
6. The applicant has \$8,500 in a bank account to pay the start-up expenses.
7. The applicant will be hiring several family members to aid him in the livery operation.
8. Mr. Abdulkadir has a clean criminal history.
9. 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 Abdulkadir Bwana Abdulkadir which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Abdulkadir has been working as both an accountant and as a driver. He has an associate degree in accounting. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed intrastate livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$5,369, rent of \$414, property tax of \$79, maintenance costs of \$1,000 and communication costs of \$240 for a total expense of \$7,102. The applicant has \$8,500 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 advertising using social media. The applicant's father is a taxicab driver, and the applicant will be bringing him and other family members into the business. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for one (1) general livery vehicle.

IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Life Link Transport LLC is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3812 is hereby issued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3812

Life Link Transport LLC is authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Windsor.

RESTRICTIONS:


The applicant must register and insure the one (1) motor vehicle 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.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 23rd day of January 2024.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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