



DOCKET NO. 2507-N-76-L

RE: APPLICATION OF LEXANI, LLC TO OPERATE TEN (10) MOTOR VEHICLES, HAVING A PASSENGER SEATING CAPACITY OF TEN (10) PASSENGERS OR LESS, IN GENERAL LIVERY SERVICE BETWEEN ALL POINTS IN CONNECTICUT FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN WINDHAM.

CORRECTED DECISION

February 4, 2026

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860-594-2000

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## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. APPLICATION

On July 16, 2025, Lexani, LLC (hereinafter “applicant”) filed an application with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), seeking authorization to operate ten (10) motor vehicles having a seating capacity of ten (10) passengers or less in general livery service from a headquarters in Windham pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended.

### B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing was held on this application on January 16, 2026.

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

Kareem Baghdad appeared pro se on behalf of Lexani, LLC. Mr. Baghdad has a mailing address of 109 Valley Street, Suite B, Willimantic, Connecticut 06226.

Amber Trice, Vendor Account Manager for MTM, appeared in support of the application. The mailing address for MTM is 200 Corporate Place, Rocky Hill, Connecticut 06067.

Amr Zeineldin, owner of Jaguar Limo appeared in support of the application. His address is 47 Bell Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut, 06033.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant seeks to operate ten (10) motor vehicles in general livery service from a headquarters in Windham.
2. The applicant will operate three (3) vehicles which are wheelchair accessible and seven (7) ambulatory vehicles.
3. Mr. Bagdad has previous livery business experience in Dubai, UAE prior to coming to the United States.

4. Mr. Baghdad currently works for Jaguar Limo.
5. Mr. Baghdad currently holds a Massachusetts driver's license.
6. Mr. Baghdad and two other members of the applicant hold a livery permit issued by the Springfield Massachusetts Taxi and Livery Commission.
7. The applicant has commitments from an additional 7 drivers to drive for the applicant if the permit is approved. Most of these drivers have the necessary endorsement on their driver's licenses for livery service.
8. Most of the drivers are trained in wheelchair restraint usage.
9. There are a total of four (4) members in the LLC.
10. The first six months of the applicant's expenses includes office space rent costs of \$2,190.00, insurance costs of \$37,030.00, property tax of \$1,248.62, and maintenance and repair costs of \$7,500.00, which total \$47,968.62. The applicant has \$50,000.00 as of January 16, 2026, in its business bank account.
11. There is great need for nonemergency medical transportation in the Windham area.
12. The applicant intends to contract with MTM.
13. The applicant plans on approaching nursing homes to advertise his business.
14. The applicant has no criminal history.
15. The application was endorsed by both witnesses who attended the hearing.
16. The 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, Mr. Baghdad submitted a criminal record check which disclosed no criminal convictions. He has experience as a livery driver for Jaguar Limo and has business experience from his career in Dubai. While working for Jaguar Limo Mr. Baghdad provided rides through MTM. Amber Trice, MTM's vendor account manager for Jaguar Limo testified that she performed driver performance evaluations. She has evaluated Mr. Baghdad while he was working at Jaguar Limo and found his performance to be very good. Ms. Trice testified further that MTM is going to enter into a contract with the applicant if its application is approved. 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 the applicant's expenses includes office space rent costs of \$2,190.00, insurance costs of \$37,030.00, property tax of \$1,248.62, and maintenance and repair costs of \$7,500.00, which total \$47,968.62. The applicant has \$50,000.00 in a business bank account and is therefore financially suitable to conduct the proposed livery service.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant will get business through word-of-mouth advertising and contracting with MTM. Mr. Zeineldin, owner of Jaguar Limo testified that his business was unable to fill all of the requests from Eastern Connecticut it received from MTM. Ms. Trice testified that there is a large shortage of providers in the Windham area and that they often have to arrange rides through Lyft. All three witnesses testified that the applicant's proposed service will help to address this need. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant's service would improve public convenience and necessity. The applicant will receive authorization for ten (10) general livery vehicles.

#### IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Lexani, LLC is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3877 is hereby issued as follows:

#### **LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3877**

Lexani, LLC is authorized to operate ten (10) motor vehicles with a seating capacity of ten (10) passengers or less, in general livery service from a headquarters in Windham.

#### **RESTRICTIONS:**

**The applicant must register and insure the ten (10) motor 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.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the fourth day of February 2026.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

*Sharon A Peters*

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**CERTIFICATION**  
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I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the decision in the above-entitled matter were mailed to the following parties on February 4, 2026.

**APPLICANT:**

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**CERTIFIED MAIL:**

**APPLICANT'S COUNSEL:**

NA

**INTERVENORS:**

NA

**OTHERS:**

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