

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 10,267

IN THE MATTER OF:		Served February 1, 2007
Investigation of Forfeiture of Corporate Charter of METRO MEDICAB, INC., WMATC No. 46)))	Case No. MP-2007-023
Investigation of Forfeiture of Corporate Charter of NIPPON TRAVEL, LTD., WMATC No. 77)))	Case No. MP-2007-024
Investigation of Forfeiture of Corporate Charter of PERKINS AMBULANCE AND WHEELCHAIR SERVICE, INC., WMATC No. 126))))	Case No. MP-2007-025
Investigation of Forfeiture of Corporate Charter of EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION, INC., WMATC No. 836)))	Case No. MP-2007-026

This investigation is being initiated because information obtained from the websites of the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation¹ and the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs² indicates that the corporate charters of the above-captioned carriers currently stand revoked or forfeited.³

The Compact provides that a WMATC carrier "shall provide safe and adequate transportation service, equipment, and facilities."⁴ Revocation of a corporate charter, however, renders a carrier unable to perform these duties "as a matter of law."⁵

Under Regulation No. 58-09, the Commission may, upon thirty days' notice, revoke its approval of any WMATC Insurance Endorsement if, in the judgment of the Commission, such security does not comply with the Commission's regulations or for any reason fails to provide satisfactory or adequate protection for the public. The Commission

¹ <http://sdatcert3.resiusa.org/ucc-charter/>.

² <http://mblr.dc.gov/corp/lookup/index.asp>.

³ The Commission may take official notice of the revocation of a carrier's corporate charter. Commission Rule No. 22-07; *In re D. C. Medicaid Transp., Inc.*, at 3, No. 354, Order No. 2009 (July 10, 1979), *aff'd on remand*, Order No. 2029 (Sept. 6, 1979).

⁴ Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 5(a).

⁵ Order No. 2009 at 3.

has held that forfeiture of a corporate charter constitutes grounds for invoking Regulation No. 58-09.⁶

Accordingly, each respondent shall have thirty days to revive its charter and replace its WMATC Insurance Endorsement(s).⁷

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That each carrier identified above is hereby named a party respondent.

2. That respondents' WMATC Insurance Endorsements are hereby revoked, effective March 6, 2007.

3. That on or before March 5, 2007, each respondent shall file with the Commission:

a. one or more replacement WMATC Insurance Endorsements showing the coverage required by Regulation No. 58; and

b. a current certificate of good standing issued by respondent's home jurisdiction.

4. That each respondent may file within 15 days from the date of this order a request for oral hearing, specifying the grounds for the request, describing the evidence to be adduced and explaining why such evidence cannot be adduced without an oral hearing.

5. That the certificate of authority of each respondent that fails to timely comply with this order shall stand suspended and subject to revocation pursuant to Article XI, Section 10(c), of the Compact, without further proceedings.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES AND CHRISTIE:



William S. Morrow, Jr.
Executive Director

⁶ In re Dependable Medical Transport Inc., No. MP-02-129, Order No. 6949 (Dec. 12, 2002).

⁷ See id. (giving carrier 30 days to file certificate of good standing and new WMATC Insurance Endorsement).