

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

ORDER NO. 14,350

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 18, 2013

Application of TAPIA TRANSPORTATION )  
SERVICES LLC for a Certificate of )  
Authority -- Irregular Route )  
Operations )

Case No. AP-2013-291

By letter dated October 21, 2013, applicant was directed to furnish no later than November 4, 2013, a copy of a lease or utility bill as proof of applicant's principal place of business. The letter cautioned applicant that failure to timely furnish the information would result in delay or dismissal of the application.

Applicant filed a copy of a residential lease on October 28, 2013, but no utility bill. The lease is not acceptable as proof of applicant's place of business. The lease expired by its own terms on February 28, 2013, and does not name applicant as a tenant, and although it names applicant's president by amendment, the amendment was added after the lease expired, and there is no clear indication that the landlord has consented to the amendment and to an extension of term.

Under the Compact, an application to obtain a certificate of authority shall be made in writing, verified, and shall contain the information required by the application form and accompanying instructions.<sup>1</sup> An applicant may be required to publish notice of the application in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District and furnish any supplemental information necessary for a full and fair determination of the application.<sup>2</sup> Failure to comply with the Commission's application requirements warrants dismissal.<sup>3</sup>

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: that the application of Tapia Transportation Services LLC for a certificate of authority is hereby dismissed without prejudice for want of prosecution.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



William S. Morrow, Jr.  
Executive Director

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<sup>1</sup> Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 8; Regulation No. 54-02.

<sup>2</sup> Regulation No. 54-04(b).

<sup>3</sup> *In re One, LLC, t/a Bon Voyage*, No. AP-04-103, Order No. 8212 (Aug. 5, 2004).