

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7486

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 20, 2003

Application of MUSSIE HABTEAB)
SBAHTU, Trading as RUBA TRANSPORT,)
for a Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)
Case No. AP-2003-124

By application accepted for filing October 1, 2003, Mussie Habteab Sbahtu, a sole proprietor trading as Ruba Transport, seeks a certificate of authority for irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with one van. Applicant's proposed tariff contains rates for transportation under the DC Medicaid program.

The application shows three different addresses for applicant. The address on page 2 of the application and Exhibit A (applicant's vehicle registration) agrees with neither the address on Exhibit C (applicant's driver's license) nor the address on Exhibit D (applicant's proof of trade name registration). Applicant will be directed to file a written statement explaining why page 2 of the application and Exhibits A, C and D show three different addresses for applicant. In the alternative, applicant may file an amended page 2, Exhibit A, Exhibit C and/or Exhibit D to resolve those differences.

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

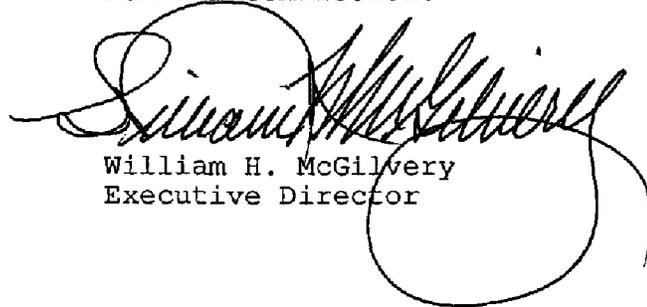
1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than November 3, 2003, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than November 24, 2003, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than November 3, 2003, an original and four copies of a written statement explaining why page 2 of the application and Exhibits A, C and D show three different addresses for applicant, or in the alternative, an original and four copies of an amended page 2, Exhibit A, Exhibit C and/or Exhibit D resolving those differences.

4. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing, is November 24, 2003, and that copies must be served on applicant at 2600 Queens Chapel Road, #301, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



William H. McGilvery
Executive Director