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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)
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UNITED COURIER SERVICES, INC., dba)
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UNITED ARMORED CAR SERVICES)
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For Extension of Motor Carrier)
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Certificate or Permit.)
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DOCKET NO. 02-0354

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I.

By an application filed on September 26, 2002, UNITED COURIER SERVICES, INC., dba UNITED ARMORED CAR SERVICES (Applicant), seeks commission approval to extend its authority under Permit No. 4616-P by (1) including the transportation of property in the specific commodities (cash, checks, and other negotiable instruments) classification over irregular routes on the islands of Kauai and Molokai, pursuant to contracts with the State of Hawaii Department of Education (DOE) and ADP Payroll (ADP), and (2) allowing applicant to provide transportation services in the specific commodities (cash, checks, and negotiable instruments) classification on the islands of Kauai and Molokai to other customers in the future, provided that the executed contracts for such services are filed with the commission prior to the commencement of such services.¹ Applicant represents that if its

¹Applicant is authorized under Permit No. 4616-P to do the following: (1) to operate as a contract carrier of property by motor vehicle in the specific commodities classification (cash, checks, and other negotiable instruments) on the islands of Maui

authority is extended as requested, it can meet its current and future customer demand for its courier services.

Applicant served copies of the application on the Hawaii Transportation Association, which consists of carriers that may be affected by Applicant's proposed service, and on the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Consumer Advocate). The Consumer Advocate did not participate in this proceeding, and no persons moved to intervene in this docket.

II.

Based upon our review of the record, we find that Applicant is fit, willing, and able to properly perform the proposed service, and to conform to Hawaii Revised Statutes chapter 271 and the requirements and rules of the commission. We also find that the proposed service is required by the present and future public convenience and necessity. Accordingly, we conclude that Applicant's request for an extension of its authority should be granted.

We also find that Applicant should be allowed to enter into contracts with future customers without having to file

and Hawaii, under contract with the DOE, and (2) to extend its contract carrier operations on the islands of Maui and Hawaii to include other organizations, provided that (A) the executed contracts with such organizations are filed with the commission prior to the commencement of service, and (B) services are limited to the transportation of specific commodities (cash, checks, and other negotiable instruments). Applicant also holds certificate of public convenience and necessity no. 2106-C, which authorizes Applicant to operate as a common carrier of property by motor vehicle over irregular routes on the island of Oahu in the general commodities classification.

additional applications with the commission, provided that (1) such contracts are limited to the provision of the transportation of specific commodities (cash, checks, and other negotiable instruments) on the islands of Kauai and Molokai, and (2) Applicant files executed contracts for such services with the commission prior to the commencement of such services.

III.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. Applicant is authorized to operate as a contract carrier of property by motor vehicle in the specific commodities (cash, checks, and other negotiable instruments) classification over irregular routes on the islands of (1) Maui and Hawaii, under contract with DOE, and (2) Kauai and Molokai, under contract with DOE and ADP.

2. Applicant may provide contract carrier services to other customers in the future, provided that (1) such services are limited to the transportation of specific commodities (cash, checks, and negotiable instruments) on the islands of Kauai, Maui, Molokai, and Hawaii, and (2) Applicant files executed contracts for such services with the commission prior to the commencement of such services.

3. Applicant shall surrender Permit No. 4616-P, and an amended permit reflecting the operating authority granted by this decision and order shall be issued.

4. Applicant shall file executed contracts between Applicant and (1) DOE, and (2) ADP, that pertains to services performed on the islands of Kauai and Molokai.


5. Applicant shall comply with all of the commission's requirements for contract carriers by motor vehicle including, but not limited to, filing the appropriate insurance documents, registering and marking the appropriate motor vehicles, and complying with the safety requirements of the Motor Vehicle Safety Office, Department of Transportation, State of Hawaii.

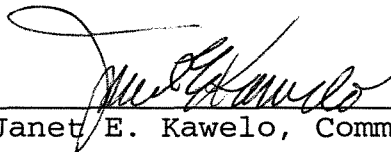
6. Applicant shall comply with the foregoing requirements within 120 days after service of this decision and order. Failure to comply within the time specified constitutes cause for this commission to void this decision and order.

7. Applicant shall not commence operations under this decision and order until it has received written confirmation from the commission that all requirements have been met.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 5th day of December,
2002.


PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By 
Wayne H. Kimura, Chairman

By 
Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

By 
Gregg J. Kinkley, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Decision and Order No. 19856 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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