

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2016-231-T - ORDER NO. 2016-678

OCTOBER 13, 2016

IN RE: Application of ADSI Moving Systems, Inc.) ORDER GRANTING
for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate) CLASS E (HOUSEHOLD
of Public Convenience and Necessity for) GOODS) CERTIFICATE
Operation of Motor Vehicle Carrier)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Application of ADSI Moving Systems, Inc. (“Applicant” or “ADSI”) for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The Applicant seeks statewide authority to move household goods in South Carolina. Notice of this matter was timely published pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817(C)(3)(a). No parties intervened, and a hearing on the Application was held on September 14, 2016, in the offices of the Commission.

The parties at the hearing included the Applicant, represented by Margaret M. Fox, Esquire, and the Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”), represented by Florence P. Belser, Esquire. The Applicant presented the prefiled direct testimony of Brian D. Ellefson, the President/CEO of Ellefson Transportation Group Inc., the parent company of ADSI Moving Systems, Inc. In addition, the Applicant offered the prefiled direct testimony of Paula F. Price, President of Paula F. Price Enterprises, LLC, a staffing company, who testified in the capacity of a shipper witness familiar with relocating staff throughout South

Carolina. ORS did not offer a witness, but George Parker, Transportation Manager, was available for questioning.

For the Applicant, Mr. Ellefson testified about his knowledge and experience in the moving industry. He detailed his experience with Ellefson Transportation Group, Inc., and its relationship to ADSI. ADSI is headquartered in Augusta, Georgia, but it possesses a Certificate of Authority to conduct business in South Carolina by the South Carolina Secretary of State. ADSI employs approximately 65 employees, and includes a fleet of over 70 pieces of moving equipment such as box trucks, straight trucks, pack vans, trailers, roll back, and the like. Pictures of the equipment and facility were presented at the hearing by the Applicant.¹ Mr. Ellefson also testified that ADSI is familiar with and intends to comply with the Commission's statutes, rules, and regulations concerning household goods movers.

The Applicant offered the live testimony of Ms. Price, appearing in the capacity of a shipper witness. In her testimony, Ms. Price asserted that she had been in the staffing business for six years. She testified that her company places approximately 150 staff throughout South Carolina annually, and many of the staff placements require relocation. She stated that she is familiar with ADSI and would use and/or recommend ADSI for moving services. She further asserted that there is a need for another household goods mover in South Carolina.

¹ Pictures of the Applicant's trucks, equipment, and facility were entered into the record as Hearing Exhibit 3.

Mr. Parker was called to the stand by the Commission. In his answers to questions posed by the Commission, Mr. Parker testified that he found the Applicant to be fit, willing, and able to furnish Class E (Household Goods) moving services in South Carolina.

The Commission finds the Application to be in order. Additionally, we conclude that the Applicant has demonstrated that it is fit, willing, and able to operate as a household goods mover pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-330 and 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133. Furthermore, we find that the public convenience and necessity is not already being served by existing authorized service. Therefore, the Application of ADSI Moving Systems, Inc. should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The Application of ADSI Moving Systems, Inc. for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is approved for the Applicant to transport household goods throughout South Carolina. The Applicant will join with the South Carolina Tariff Bureau.

2. The Applicant shall file with the Office of Regulatory Staff the proper insurance, safety rating, and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and by 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-100 through 103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, and 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-400 through 38-503 (Supp. 2015) of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.

3. Upon compliance with S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and the applicable Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. Vol. 10 (1976), as amended, a Certificate shall be issued by the Office of Regulatory Staff authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.

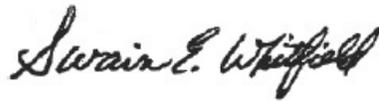
4. Prior to compliance with the above-referenced requirements and receipt of a Certificate, the motor carrier services authorized by this Order shall not be provided.

5. Failure of the Applicant to either (1) comply with all statutory and regulatory requirements within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, or (2) request and obtain from the Commission additional time to comply with the requirements, shall result in this Order granting the Application to become null and void and the Application shall be dismissed without prejudice. In this event, no further order of this Commission is necessary.

6. Pursuant to the two-month reporting requirement contained in Order No. 2014-443 (May 21, 2014), the ORS is requested to furnish the name and docket number of the Applicant to the Commission, should the Applicant fail to meet the requirements of the present Order. After such notification, the Docket shall be closed.

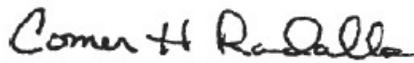
7. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Swain E. Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:



Comer H. Randall, Vice Chairman