


BOARD REPORT
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: December 14, 2023 P7X

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

From: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager 

Subject: **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF APPLICATION OF MEDEX SPECIALTY TRANSPORT INC.
FOR THREE UNRESTRICTED NON-AMBULATORY PASSENGER VEHICLE PERMITS**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That your Board:

- a. **Find** that Medex Specialty Transport Inc., based upon evidence of patients in need of transportation; public convenience and necessity, requires the operation of three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicles.
- b. **Grant** three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits to Medex Specialty Transport Inc. contingent upon:
 1. The applicant filing with the Department in such form as the Department requires and thereafter keeping in full force and effect a policy of automobile liability insurance acceptable to the City Attorney and the City Risk Manager;
 2. The drivers and attendants obtaining the required permits;
 3. The applicant obtaining commercial or exempt registration for the vehicles;
 4. The vehicles passing Department inspection;
 5. The applicant complying with all Board rules and regulations and City ordinances pertaining to the operation of non-ambulatory passenger vehicles;
 6. The applicant charging only those rates for non-ambulatory passenger vehicle services as set forth in Board Order No. 608 (Ordinance No. 187,587) and successor regulations; and
 7. The vehicles must be placed into service within 120 days after the Board of Transportation Commissioners (Board) approval or such authority shall become invalid. Upon written request and for good cause, the Department, in its discretion, may grant an extension of time beyond the initial 120-day period after Board approval. Any request for an extension beyond the initial deadline date must be received prior to the 120-day deadline. Furthermore, if an extension is granted, only one extension may be allowed per application.

INITIATED BY

On July 6, 2023, the Department received an application from Bridgette Povolotsky, CEO of Medex Specialty Transport Inc., 18340 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 214, Tarzana, California 91356, requesting two unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits for gurney service and one for wheelchair service (Attachment 1). On November 28, 2023, the company submitted the final document needed to complete the application.

DISCUSSION

Medex Specialty Transport Inc. is not currently authorized by the Board to operate any vehicles for hire in the City of Los Angeles.

The history of Medex Specialty Transport Inc.'s business is as follows: On June 2, 2023, Articles of Incorporation were filed with the California Secretary of State establishing Medex Specialty Transport Inc. (Attachment 2). On July 13, 2023, the Statement of Information (Entity Type: Corporation) was filed with the California Secretary of State naming Bridgette Povolotsky as Chief Executive Officer, Secretary, and Chief Financial Officer of the company (Attachment 3). Bridgette Povolotsky is the sole shareholder of the company.

Public Convenience and Necessity

The application of Medex Specialty Transport Inc. was evaluated against Section 2 of the Guidelines for Establishing Public Convenience and Necessity as established by the Board on August 11, 2005 for applicants with no unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits (Attachment 4).

- a. Experience – The applicant submitted the resume of Bridgette Povolotsky as owner/CEO of Mag Trans Non Emergency Medical Transportation from February 2009 to June 2013, and owner/CEO of Elite Ambulance Inc. from February 2009 to September 2016. Ms. Povolotsky's resume states that her responsibilities include managing operations, payroll, billing, strategy and training and supervision, and fleet maintenance.
- b. Background Check – The background check was conducted on the owner and general manager of Medex Specialty Transport Inc. and no disqualifying criminal history was found as listed in Board Order No. 600.
- c. Financial Capability – The applicant submitted the financial documentation showing that the company demonstrates sufficient liquid assets to support the request for three unrestricted non-ambulatory vehicle permits.
- d. Hours of Operation – The regular hours of operation for transportation service are 8 am to 6 pm Monday to Friday, and 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday, with no service on Sunday.

There is no documented evidence of illegal operation by Medex Specialty Transport Inc. in the City of Los Angeles in the past 12 months.