

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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## DOCKET NO. 2111-N-101-L

RE: APPLICATION OF TRANS DOOR TO DOOR LLC TO OPERATE ONE
(1) GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLE, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF
LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN
TORRINGTON.

**DECISION** 

**FEBRUARY 1, 2022** 

## I. INTRODUCTION

## A. <u>APPLICATION</u>

By application filed on November 22, 2021, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Trans Door to Door LLC (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 74 Jardon Street, Apt 1, Torrington, Connecticut 06790 seeks authorization to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Torrington.

## B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on January 25, 2022.

Notice of the application and of the hearing to be held thereon was given to the applicant and to such other parties as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended. Legal notice to the public was given by publication on the department's website.

A hearing officer designated by the Commissioner pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-17 conducted the hearing on this matter.

## C. <u>APPEARANCES</u>

Manuel Chillogallo appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 74 Jardon Street, Apt 1, Torrington, Connecticut 06790.

Nathalie Morales, the applicant's bookkeeper appeared as a witness in this matter.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant seeks to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service from a headquarters in Torrington.
  - 2. Mr. Chillogallo has operated as an UBER driver in the past.
  - 3. The applicant proposes to operate a 2012 Honda Accord which is owed outright.
  - 4. The applicant has prepaid its vehicle insurance.

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- 5. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes maintenance costs of \$1,500, property tax of \$113 and communication costs of \$2,100.
  - 6. The applicant has \$13,611 in a bank account in the name of the company.
- 7. Mr. Chillogallo and his wife both have public service licenses. They will be driving the livery vehicle.
  - 8. The applicant anticipates driving mostly local trips.
- 9. The applicant will be operating out of his house. There are no zoning issues operating a home office from this residence.
- 10. The applicant will get customers by word of mouth and by circulating flyers. Mr. Chillogallo will investigate utilizing social media in the future.
  - 11. This application was not opposed.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The department has jurisdiction over each person, association, limited liability company or corporation owning or operating a motor vehicle in livery service, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, as amended.

In determining whether a livery permit should be granted, the department shall take into consideration the present or future public convenience and necessity. The applicant must prove that the public's convenience and necessity will be improved by the proposed service. Additionally, the applicant must show the suitability of the applicant or the suitability of the management if the applicant is a limited liability company or corporation, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of the applicant efficiently and properly to perform the service for which authority is requested and the fitness, willingness and ability of the applicant to conform to the provisions of the statutes and the requirements and regulations of the department thereunder, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103.

Regarding the applicant's suitability, the applicant submitted a criminal record check for the only member, Manuel Chillogallo, which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Chillogallo has experience transporting the public while working as a driver for UBER. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed intrastate livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of expenses includes maintenance costs of \$1,500, property tax of \$113 and

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On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant has a plan to market the company by producing flyers and utilizing social media. The applicant has worked for several years with UBER and has experience transporting the public. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for intrastate livery transportation.

### IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Trans Door to Door LLC is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3729 is hereby issued as follows:

## **LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3729**

Trans Door to Door LLC is authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Torrington.

## **RESTRICTIONS:**

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The applicant must register and insure the one (1) vehicle granted in this decision within ninety (90) days. Failure to do so may result in revocation of the general livery authority.

The authority granted under this permit may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational, i.e. a vehicle registered with livery plates thereunder for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

This permit shall remain in effect until it is amended, suspended or revoked by the department. Failure of the permit holder to maintain proper insurance and/or comply with all pertinent motor vehicle laws and other state statutes and/or rules, regulations and orders of the department shall be considered sufficient cause to amend, suspend or revoke said permit.

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the department, shall be

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conspicuously posted in each motor vehicle operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 1st day of February 2022.

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