THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair

Jay Scott Emler

Pat Apple

In the Matter of the Emergency Suspension of)	
Operating Authority of Bernard M. Blackwell,)	
Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation of Olathe,)	Docket No. 15-TRAM-070-OOS
Kansas, for Failure to Comply with New Entrant)	Docket No. 13-1 KAM-070-005
Safety Requirements as Required by the Motor)	
Carrier Safety Statutes, Rules and Regulations.)	

ORDER REINSTATING MOTOR CARRIER OPERATING AUTHORITY

The above-captioned matter comes on for consideration and determination by the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) upon its own motion. The Commission, being fully advised in the premises, finds as follows:

I. JURISDICTION

- 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,108b, 66-1,111, 66-1,112, 66-1,114, 66-1,114b and 66-1,115, and amendments thereto, the Commission is given full power, authority and jurisdiction to supervise and control motor carriers, as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,108, doing business or procuring business in Kansas, and is empowered to do all things necessary and convenient for the exercise of such power, authority, and jurisdiction.
- 2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,129a, 66-1,130, and 66-1,142b, and amendments thereto, the Commission may suspend operations, revoke, or amend certificates, and initiate sanctions or fines against every motor carrier and every person who violates any

provision of Kansas law in regard to the regulation of such motor carriers and persons, or who fails to obey any order, decision, or regulation of the Commission.

3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,129(a)(7), the Commission has adopted motor carrier transportation regulations (K.A.R. 82-4-1 *et seq.*) consistent with the federal motor carrier safety assistance program and other federal requirements concerning transportation of hazardous waste.

II. BACKGROUND

- 4. Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,108 that operates commercial motor vehicle(s) in both intrastate and interstate commerce in a manner that requires authority.
- 5. Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation is registered as a motor carrier with the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), and operates under USDOT Number 1545597.
- 6. The Commission received notice from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration that Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation's New Entrant Registration had been revoked effective August 11, 2014, for failure to comply with safety requirements.
- 7. Pursuant to the above authority, on August 19, 2014, the Commission entered an Emergency Suspension of Operating Authority Order on Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation in the above-referenced docket, until such time that Staff recommended reinstatement.

III. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

- 8. On September 18, 2014, the Staff of the Transportation Division of the Kansas Corporation Commission (Staff) received notice from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, that Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation has submitted evidence of compliance with safety requirements as required in 49 C.F.R. § 385.329. As a result, the carrier's reapplication for New Entrant registration under USDOT No. 1545597 has been approved and the carrier's authority to operate in interstate commerce has been reinstated. *See* attached FMCSA reinstatement documentation.
- 9. Based on the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's reinstatement, it is Staff's recommendation to reinstate Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation's motor carrier operating authority in Kansas.

IV. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 10. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction over Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation because it is a motor carrier as defined in K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 66-1,108.
- 11. Based on the available facts, the Commission finds that Staff's recommendation to reinstate Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation's operating authority in Kansas is reasonable.

THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

(A) Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation's certificate, permit or license that is necessary to carry on the business of a private and/or public motor carrier in Kansas is hereby reinstated.

- (B) Bernard M. Blackwell, Jr., d/b/a BMB Transportation remains obligated to attend a Commission-sponsored safety seminar pursuant to the Emergency Suspension of Operating Authority Order at paragraph B., entered on August 19, 2014.
- (C) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further Orders as it may deem necessary and proper.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner;

Dated: SEP 2 3 2014

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Thomas A. Day Acting Executive Director

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BENARD M. BLACKWELL JR. OWNER BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR BMB TRANSPORTATION P O BOX 4384 OLATHE, KS 66063 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E. Washington, DC 20590 September 18, 2014

In reply refer to: USDOT Number: 1545597 MC Number: MC574643

According to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) records, thirty days have elapsed since BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's USDOT New Entrant registration was revoked on August 11, 2014, based on BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's failure to timely respond demonstrating corrective action to FMCSA's Demand for Written Response after committing one or more actions listed under 49 CFR section 385.308. Our records also indicate that BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR has reapplied in accordance with 49 CFR 385.329(a). BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's reapplication for USDOT New Entrant registration has been approved.

BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's 18-month new entrant safety monitoring period restarts as of September 18, 2014. FMCSA will continue to monitor and evaluate BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's safety management practices and on-road performance to ensure BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR has basic safety management controls that are operating effectively and is complying with Federal requirements including the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) and applicable Federal Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMRs). Failure to comply with applicable requirements may result in the revocation of BERNARD M BLACKWELL JR's USDOT New Entrant or permanent registration.

Sincerely,

Joseph P. DeLorenzo, Director, Office of Enforcement and Compliance

PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET TO THE FOLLOWING:

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NAME AND ADDRESS

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