

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

**CLASS P CHARTER-PARTY PERMIT****PARTICIPATION AUTHORIZED IN:**

- **DRIVERED AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE PASSENGER SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM**
- **DRIVERLESS AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE PASSENGER SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM**

EXPIRES ON AUGUST 2, 2027 - SEE PARAGRAPH (14)

PERMIT NO. TCP0045411-P

WERIDE CORP.
2630 ORCHARD PARKWAY
SAN JOSE, CA 95134

TERMINAL: 2630 ORCHARD PARKWAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95134

The above-named Carrier, having made written application on February 8, 2024 to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("Commission") for authority to operate as a CHARTER-PARTY CARRIER OF PASSENGERS, pursuant to Sections 5351 through 5420 of the Public Utilities Code and Decisions (D.)18-05-043 and D.20-11-046 (as modified by D.21-05-017), is granted this permit authorizing the transportation of passengers by autonomous motor vehicle (AV) over the public highways of the State of California as a CHARTER-PARTY CARRIER OF PASSENGERS, as defined in said Code, subject to D.18-05-043, D.20-11-046 (as modified by D.21-05-017), and the following conditions:

- (1) This permit is issued pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 5384(b) and is limited to the use of vehicles seating fewer than 16 people, including the driver.
- (2) No vehicle or vehicles shall be operated by said Carrier unless adequately covered by a public liability and property damage insurance policy or surety bond as required by Public Utilities Code Section 5392.
- (3) Said Carrier shall comply with all Commission orders, decisions, rules, directions, and requirements governing the operations of said Carrier including General Order (G.O.) Series 115 and 157 and shall remit to the Commission the Transportation Reimbursement Fee required by Public Utilities Code Section 403.
- (4) Said Carrier shall comply with G.O. 157-E, Part 1.06 that requires every charter-party carrier to comply with the California Vehicle Code. The Vehicle Code authorizes local regulation such that violation of a local ordinance may also amount to a violation of the Vehicle Code (e.g., §§ 21100-21118). D.20-11-046 (as modified by D.21-05-017) Ordering Paragraph 7(p) requires that AV Program participants "[c]omply with all other applicable State and Federal regulations." Vehicle Code § 22502 authorizes local agencies to prohibit by ordinance commercial loading and unloading of passengers more than 18 inches from the curb.
- (5) All vehicles operated under this authority shall comply with the requirements of the Motor Carrier Safety Section of the California Highway Patrol. No vehicle shall be operated unless it is named in the Carrier's most recent equipment list on file with this Commission. Written amendments to the equipment list shall be filed within ten days of the date the vehicle is put into or pulled out of service.
- (6) No vehicle shall be operated in the transportation of passengers in the Commission's Autonomous Vehicle Passenger Service Pilot Program by said Carrier without possession of a valid Autonomous Vehicle Manufacturer's Testing Permit currently in full force and effect from the California Department of Motor Vehicles to conduct autonomous vehicle testing on the public highways of the State of California.
- (7) All vehicles involved in the Commission's Drivered Autonomous Vehicle Passenger Service Pilot Program shall only be operated or driven in the transportation of passengers by said Carrier by a person who has been issued and possesses an Autonomous Vehicle Testing Program Test Vehicle Operator Permit currently in full force and effect from the California Department of Motor Vehicles.
- (8) This permit is subject to amendment, modification, suspension, or revocation as provided in the Public Utilities Code, in Commission Resolutions PE-498, PE-501, and TL-18336, and in D.18-05-043 and D.20-11-046 (as modified by D.21-05-017).
- (9) This permit may not be sold, assigned, leased, or otherwise transferred or encumbered without Commission authorization.
- (10) This permit does not authorize said Carrier to conduct operations on the property of or into any airport unless such operation is authorized by the airport authority involved.
- (11) This permit does not authorize round-trip sightseeing tour service.
- (12) This permit does not authorize the acceptance of any monetary compensation for transportation provided in test autonomous vehicles.
- (13) The use of top lights and/or taxi meters in all vehicles operated under this permit is prohibited (D.82-05-069).
- (14) This permit expires August 2, 2027. It may be renewed upon submission and approval of a renewal application. This renewal application should be submitted at least 90 days prior to the expiration date.

Permit issued on 2nd day of August, 2024

BY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Curtis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Terra Curtis
Interim Director, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division
Manager, Transportation Policy & Programs