

# LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ORDER NUMBER T-37837

TRIUMVIRATE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, LLC  
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*Docket No. T-37837, In re: Application for a Common Carrier Certificate of non-hazardous oilfield waste, non-hazardous industrial solid waste, and hazardous waste for disposal, statewide.*

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(Decided May 7, 2026.)

## ORDER

### ***Background***

Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC (“Applicant”) submitted an application with attachments (“Application”) on January 20, 2026, seeking from the Louisiana Public Service Commission (“LPSC” or “Commission”) a common carrier certificate of non-hazardous oilfield waste, non-hazardous industrial solid waste, and hazardous waste for disposal, statewide. Notice of the Application was published in the Commission’s *Official Bulletin* on January 30, 2026, for a 15-day intervention period. No interventions were filed.

At a status conference on March 4, 2026, representatives of the Applicant and the Commission Staff agreed to a procedural schedule, which was included in the *Report of Status Conference* issued on the same day. Applicant and Commission Staff timely filed their pre-hearing statements on April 10, and April 14, 2026, respectively. As there are no intervenors and the Commission Staff supports the Application, the Application is unopposed.

### ***Jurisdiction and Applicable Law***

The Commission derives its jurisdiction over common carriers and public utilities from the Louisiana Constitution of 1974. Article IV, Section 21(B) of the Constitution provides, in pertinent part, that:

[t]he [C]ommission shall regulate all common carriers and public utilities and have such other regulatory authority as provided by law. It shall adopt and enforce reasonable rules, regulations and procedures necessary for the discharge of its duties, and shall have other powers and perform other duties as provided by law.

In addition, La. R.S. 45:163 provides that “[t]he [C]ommission has the power and authority necessary to supervise, govern, regulate, and control motor carriers...which transport household goods, passengers, or waste intrastate and to fix reasonable and just rates, fares, tolls, or charges

for the commodities furnished or services rendered by such motor carriers.” La. R.S. 45:164 states that “[n]o motor carrier of waste shall operate without first having obtained from the [C]ommission a common carrier certificate or contract carrier permit.” La. R.S. 45:164(B) provides that an applicant for a common carrier certificate, contract carrier permit, or expansion of authority granted in an existing certificate must prove fitness by proving all of the following:

- (1) The applicant holds, or is capable of acquiring, an insurance policy that complies with [C]ommission rules.
- (2) The applicant has the financial ability to provide the transportation of waste for disposal in a safe and efficient manner.
- (3) The applicant holds, or is capable of acquiring all the necessary authorizations required by any and all regulatory authorities for the transportation of waste for disposal.
- (4) The applicant holds, or is capable or [sic] acquiring for use, equipment and man power to provide transportation services in a safe and efficient manner.
- (5) The applicant has in place, or is capable of establishing, a safety program necessary for the safe and efficient transportation of waste for disposal.

The Commission’s *General Order* dated January 23, 2018, incorporated the above requirements into Rule 33 of the Commission’s *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, which now reads (in pertinent part) as follows:

- A. An applicant applying for a common carrier certificate, contract carrier permit, or expansion of authority granted in an existing certificate or permit authorizing the transportation of non-hazardous oilfield waste, hazardous waste or non-hazardous industrial solid waste shall prove fitness...in a hearing before an administrative law judge or hearing officer by proving that the applicant:
  1. holds, or is capable of acquiring, an insurance policy providing coverage of two hundred fifty thousand dollars for injury or death per person or five hundred thousand dollars per occurrence, and ten thousand dollars property damage,
  2. has the financial ability to provide the transportation of waste for disposal in a safe and efficient manner,
  3. holds, or is capable of acquiring, all of the necessary authorizations required by any and all regulatory authorities for the transportation of waste for disposal[,]
  4. holds, or is capable of acquiring for use, equipment and man power to provide transportation services in a safe and efficient manner, and
  5. has in place, or is capable of establishing, a safety program necessary for the safe and efficient transportation of waste for disposal.

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- D. The provisions of this rule are applicable to all applications for common carrier certificates and contract carrier permits of waste and all applications for expansion of existing waste authority, including those applications which are presently pending before the Commission but have not yet gone to hearing on the merits.
- E. All restrictions on existing certificates or permits are valid until expansion of authority is applied for and a new certificate or permit is granted. However, any restrictive language in any existing common carrier certificate or any contract carrier permit of waste that prevents the carrier from applying for expanded authority for any period of time is null and void...
- F. Certificates or permits issued after the adoption of this rule shall not contain restrictions.

### ***The Hearing***

A hearing on the Application was convened April 21, 2026, at which the Applicant appeared through Agee Landyn Oller and David LaBelle. Commission Staff appeared through counsel.

### *Testimony and Evidence Presented by the Applicant*

Mr. Oller and Mr. LaBelle testified in support of the Application.

### Testimony of Agee Landyn Oller

Mr. Oller testified that he is employed by LEI, Inc., which is wholly-owned by the Applicant, as Director of Operations of the Louisiana facilities, which are located in Independence, Louisiana.<sup>1</sup> He has been Director of Operations since 2020. As Director of Operations, he evaluates material for proper Dept. of Transportation (“DOT”) shipping classification and waste profiling, and conducts facility operations for logistics for material movement and material recycling. He has been employed with LEI, Inc. since 2005 in various positions, except for a period between 2014 and 2015 when he was employed with Shell Offshore. Prior to his employment at LEI, Inc., he was employed with La. Dept. of Environmental Quality for three years.

Mr. Oller testified regarding the Applicant’s organizational structure, including parent and subsidiary entities. The Applicant, headquartered in Davie, Florida, was formed in Florida in January 1985. The Applicant is wholly-owned by Triumvirate Environmental, LLC. Triumvirate Environmental, LLC is headquartered in Somerville, Massachusetts and is wholly-owned by TEI Intermediate LLC. TEI Intermediate LLC has two members: John. F. McQuillan, Jr. and Berkshire, a private equity firm.<sup>2</sup> Mr. Oller stated that LEI, Inc. was acquired by the Applicant in October

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Oller and Mr. LaBelle indicated at the outset of the hearing that they were full-time employees of “Triumvirate Environmental, LLC.” (H’ing Tr. at 1:18-21.). Mr. Oller later testified that he was currently employed by “Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC, the Applicant.” (H’ing Tr. at 43:9-11.).

<sup>2</sup> The ownership of TEI Intermediate LLC was addressed in Mr. LaBelle’s testimony (H’ing Tr. at 82:14-16.), but is included here for ease of reading.

2025 through a full stock purchase and LEI, Inc. falls under the Applicant in the organizational structure. He stated further that LEI, Inc. currently holds and operates waste authority from the LPSC, and if the Application is granted, LEI, Inc. will cancel its authority. Mr. Oller testified that the Application was filed so that the current Louisiana operations may continue under the name of the Applicant, rather than through its wholly-owned subsidiary, LEI, Inc. He testified further that getting the LPSC certificate in the Applicant's name is but one step in the process of transitioning operations from LEI, Inc. to the Applicant.

Mr. Oller testified that the Applicant operates in 19 states, Puerto Rico, Canada, and Mexico; and has 1,723 employees, 167 of which are drivers. The Applicant currently provides (in other states) non-hazardous industrial waste transportation, hazardous waste transportation and environmental, health and safety consulting services. All current Louisiana waste transportation operations are through LEI, Inc. at its only Louisiana terminal location in Independence, which will remain the Louisiana terminal location if the authority is granted. Mr. Oller explained that LEI, Inc. has been conducting interstate transportation for some time, and received intrastate authority [from the LPSC] in 2024. While LEI, Inc. mainly transports non-hazardous industrial waste and hazardous waste, it also transports some oilfield waste. According to Mr. Oller, there are 25 employees in Louisiana, of which 6 are drivers.

Mr. Oller identified the Application and various regulatory documents submitted therewith, including documents filed with and obtained from the Secretary of State's offices of Florida and Louisiana and La. Dept. of Environmental Quality. He averred that, to his knowledge, the Applicant is in good standing with the Florida and Louisiana Secretary of State's offices and all state and federal regulatory agencies. He stated that the Applicant has or is willing and capable of acquiring all necessary permits for the regulated transportation of waste if the authority is granted.

Mr. Oller testified regarding the equipment to be used for transportation of regulated waste, stating there are 6 trucks and 30 trailers that will be used for the transportation of regulated waste. Some of the equipment is owned and some is leased. Mr. Oller addressed the maintenance policies and practices, including pre-trip and post-trip inspections, maintenance schedules, and maintenance documentation. Mr. Oller averred that all equipment to be used by the Applicant is in good working order. He stated that the trucks are equipped with GPS and forward-facing cameras, and are governed to 65 miles per hour. He confirmed his understanding of LPSC rules regarding owner-operators, and stated that the Applicant does not intend to use owner-operators;

however, if it does, it will comply with the Commission's rules.

Mr. Oller testified regarding safety meetings. There are daily, monthly and quarterly safety meetings at the Independence terminal, and those safety meetings are documented. Additionally, there is a job hazard analysis program for non-routine work. He explained that the Applicant conducts pre-employment, random, reasonable suspicion, and post-incident drug screenings.

Mr. Oller described the driver hiring and training practices to be utilized by the Applicant. Applicants must successfully pass a motor vehicle background check, criminal background check, drug and alcohol screening, health screening and have one year of experience with the equipment they are being hired to operate. An interview is conducted by the division manager. If hired, the new driver undergoes training and would not be permitted to drive unaccompanied until a trainer signs off.

Mr. Oller confirmed his understanding of myriad Commission rules and regulations, including filing annual reports and paying inspection and supervision fees, and stated that the Applicant intends to comply with all of the Commission's regulations. He indicated that the Applicant has or is willing to acquire the necessary permits, equipment, and personnel for the transportation of LPSC-regulated waste in a safe, efficient, and LPSC-compliant manner.

#### Testimony of Davide LaBelle

Mr. LaBelle testified that he is the Vice President of Environmental, Health, and Safety Compliance for Triumvirate Environmental, LLC and that his business address is in Somerville, Massachusetts. Mr. LaBelle described Triumvirate Environmental, LLC as providing a broad range of environmental, health, and safety services which could include managing waste from inception, accumulation, transportation, then disposal. Those services include consulting, onsite services, lab safety services, tank cleaning, etc. He stated that he has been employed by Triumvirate Environmental, LLC for three years, all in his current position; and, he is authorized to testify on behalf of the Applicant and Triumvirate Environmental, LLC. Mr. LaBelle summarized his employment history, all of which is in the field of environmental, health and safety compliance, including employment with a regulated electric and gas utility and a renewable energy company. His current job duties include supervising a team of about 30 employees that ensure that the organization (including the Applicant and LEI, Inc.) is safe and compliant, and its facilities are operating in compliance with regulations and applicable law. He reiterated Mr. Oller's testimony that operations are being transitioned from LEI, Inc. to the Applicant, with a first step in the process

being obtaining all of the operating permits.

Mr. LaBelle identified an *ACORD Certificate of Liability Insurance* showing the Applicant as the insured and confirmed that the policies listed are current, cover all of the Applicant's equipment and drivers, meet or exceed the minimum requirements, and will be renewed on or before expiration. Mr. LaBelle expressed his understanding of the Commission's requirement to maintain insurance on file with the Commission.

Mr. LaBelle identified documents depicting the consolidated finances of the ultimate parent company, TEI Intermediate LLC, asserting that it shows the entire organization's financial picture and is indicative of that of the Applicant. He stated that TEI Intermediate LLC is willing to provide capital to the Applicant, if needed, as it is managed as one organization. Per Mr. LaBelle, none of the following have ever filed for bankruptcy: the Applicant; Triumvirate Environmental, LLC; TEI Intermediate LLC or LEI, Inc. He stated that the Applicant and its parent companies are current on state and federal tax returns and have routinely participated in state tax audits, which have all been resolved. He stated that the Applicant and its parent companies have never had any issues making payroll. Mr. LaBelle testified that the Applicant has the financial ability to transport waste for disposal in a safe and efficient manner.

Mr. LaBelle addressed the safety policies and practices to be utilized by the Applicant, noting that the manual was titled *Health and Safety Manual of LEI, Inc.*, but if the Application is granted, those policies that would be utilized by the Applicant. He summarized its contents, and confirmed that it is provided to all employees who must read, review and sign an acknowledgment of understanding. He expounded on Mr. Oller's testimony regarding the Applicant's drug and alcohol policy, stating that it is zero tolerance. The Applicant has a hands-free cell phone policy in compliance with federal regulations. He advised that the Applicant is a member of many safety networks, including ISNetworld, Avetta, and Highwire, with satisfactory ratings. Mr. LaBelle testified that the Applicant has in place or is capable of establishing a safety program necessary for the safe and efficient transportation of waste for disposal.

In connection with their testimony, Mr. Oller and Mr. LaBelle identified the following exhibits which were admitted:

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| Exhibit A, <i>in globo</i> | The <i>Waste by Motor Vehicle Application</i> filed by Applicant on January 20, 2026, with public attachments. |
| Exhibit B, <i>in globo</i> | The following consolidated financials for TEI Intermediate LLC ( <b>admitted confidentially under seal</b> ):  |

- Income Statement FYE December 2024 and YTD February 2025,
- Balance Sheet FYE 2024 and YTD 2025,
- Income Statement March through December 2025, and
- Balance Sheet 2025.

Exhibit C	<i>Preventative Maintenance and Inspection Procedure of Triumvirate Environmental.</i>
Exhibit D1	<i>Health and Safety Manual of LEI, Inc., cover page and table of contents only.</i>
Exhibit D2	<i>Health and Safety Manual of LEI, Inc., complete version (submitted electronically on thumb drive).</i>
Exhibit E, <i>in globo</i>	<i>LPSC Staff's First Set of Data Requests to Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC with Applicant's responses (excluding any referenced attachments).</i>
Exhibit F	Customer List for LEI, Inc. ( <b>admitted confidentially under seal</b> ).
Exhibit G	<i>LPSC Staff's Second Set of Data Requests to Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC with Applicant's responses.</i>
Exhibit H, <i>in globo</i>	Correspondence from La. Dept. of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services, dated January 27, 2026, signed by Charles Finley, addressed to Mr. David LaBelle, Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC, Re: Transporter Number, Triumvirate Environmental Services LLC, with attachments.
Exhibit I	A listing of terminal locations for the Applicant.
Exhibit J	<i>Post-closing Legal Entity Structure</i> showing the organizational structure of the Applicant and its parent and subsidiary entities.

#### *Commission Staff's Position*

The Commission Staff expressed its support for the Application in its pre-hearing statement and confirmed at the hearing that there are no LPSC regulatory issues with the Applicant and that it supports the Application.

#### ***Conclusion***

Having considered the Application, the testimony and evidence presented in support of the Application, the directives of the Commission's *General Order* dated January 23, 2018, Rule 33 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, and other applicable law, we find that the Applicant has established its fitness to operate and that a common carrier certificate should be issued to the Applicant as requested.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:**

1. Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC be issued a common carrier certificate authorizing operation in Louisiana intrastate commerce as a common carrier of non-hazardous oilfield waste, non-hazardous industrial solid waste, and hazardous waste for disposal, statewide.
2. The issuance of the common carrier certificate is conditioned upon the full compliance of Triumvirate Environmental Services, LLC with the laws of the State of Louisiana and the rules and regulations of the Louisiana Public Service Commission.
3. This order is effective immediately pursuant to Rule 43 of the Louisiana Public Service Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION**  
**BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA**  
May 8, 2026



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**BRANDON M. FREY**  
**SECRETARY**

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