

Decision No. <u>51089</u>

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Trans-Sierra Airways, Inc., for an Order authorizing passenger rate increases, a change of stopping points, the incorporation of certain rules, regulations and practices governing rates and tariff, the addition of a round trip excursion fare and authority for short notice filing pursuant to section 4.1 and 4.2 of General Order 105-A.

Application No. 42633

OPINION AND ORDER

Trans-Sierra Airways, Inc., is a common carrier of passengers and freight between points in California. It filed its Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State on February 29, 1960, and filed its first tariff with the Commission on June 17, 1960. Since its recent commencement of operation, it has engaged in transportation by De Haviland Dove aircraft between the airports of San Francisco, Modesto, Sonora and Lake Tahoe. Applicant proposes to change its stopping point in the San Joaquin Valley from Modesto to Stockton.

By application filed September 1, 1960, it seeks to increase fares. The present and proposed fares are as follows:

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Schedule of One-Way Fares

<u>Between Airports of</u> San Francisco-Lake Tahoe			<u>Present</u> \$14.00	<u>Proposed</u> \$17.00
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	-Stockton		*	8.00
Lake Taboe	-Sonora		10.00	12.00
	-Stockton		*	14.00
Sonora	-Stockton		*	8.00
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fares to Modesto are same as proposed fares to Stockton.

Applicant proposes the establishment of a round-trip excursion fare from all points to Lake Tahoe of \$21.59. It is also proposed to increase the freight rates applicable between all points from 8 cents per pound to 15 cents per pound subject to a \$3.00 minimum charge.

Statements reflecting the financial condition of applicant as of July 31, 1960, were attached to the application. During its short period of operation, it had operating revenues of \$16,220, direct operating expenses of \$31,129 and administrative and general expense of \$21,321. Its net loss was \$36,230. The Transportation Division of the Commission has estimated that the revenue from the proposed increase will be \$3,000 annually.

No one has notified the Commission of opposition to the granting of the authority sought. The City of Stockton has informed the Commission by letter that it is interested in supporting this application.

We find that the increases sought are justified. A public hearing is not necessary, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Trans-Sierra Airways, Inc., is suthorized to establish on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and

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to the public, and not later than sixty days after the effective date of this order, the increased passenger fares and the increased freight rates set forth in its application filed September 1, 1960, in this proceeding.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at ______ San Francisco , California, this 270 . NOVEMBER day of , 1960. Ders