Decision No. 75953

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of EDWARD VANDERDOES, GEORGE ISHIBASHI and GEORGE KOGA, doing business as INTERNATIONAL LIMOUSINE SERVICE CO., a partnership, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate Passenger Stage Service between certain points in the City of Gardena, California, and certain service areas located in Los Angeles County.

Application No. 50844 (Filed January 27, 1969; Amended March 10, 1969)

Menneth E. Martin, for City of Gardena, protestant.

R. W. Russell, by K. D. Walpert, for City of los Angeles; and C. J. Holzer, for Southern California Rapid Transit District, interested parties.

William R. Kendall, for the Commission staff.

# OPINION

This application was heard before Examiner DeWolf on May 19, 1969, and submitted on the same date. The protestant is Kenneth E. Martin, appearing for the City of Gardens.

Applicants request authorization to institute and conduct operations as a passenger stage corporation for the transportation of passengers from certain service areas in the County of Los Angeles, designated as the Los Angeles Territory, Hollywood Territory, and West Los Angeles Territory, as said territories

are described in the appendix attached hereto, to the Monterey Club and the Rainbow Club, in Gardena, California, over and along the most direct route or routes. Applicants presently have authority to transport passengers within the State of California under a Class A charter party certificate.

Applicants propose that the service shall be limited to the transportation of passengers who originate at or are destined to the Monterey Club or the Rainbow Club in Gardena, California, and desire transportation to or from the service areas.

One of the applicant partners testified that he owns and operates a gasoline service station and the partnership owns two units of equipment with which to provide the proposed service and will purchase one other unit when the service is authorized. The witness testified that applicants propose a specialized service to transport passengers on four incoming schedules and one returning schedule to the two Gardena clubs, in vehicles limited to eight passengers including driver, with a one-way fare of \$3.00 for adults, and no minors to be transported. This witness testified that the limited scope of the service proposed would not adversely affect any of the carriers presently existing in the territories to be served by applicants. The witness testified that applicants have the equipment, mechanical services and financial resources in excess of \$50,000 total necessary to provide the service, and the equipment to be used is airconditioned and spacious and that numerous requests have been received from persons at both clubs and the managers of the clubs for this type of transportation.

The general manager of the Rainbow Club and the Monterey Club testified that he has received numerous requests from patrons of the clubs for the type of transportation service proposed by the applicants, and that the patrons state that they would use the service when provided. The witness testified that there is no other direct and regular transportation service of this type and quality now available to the patrons of these two clubs although other clubs in Gardena have this type of service. The witness testified that many patrons have stated that they desire and would use this service to and from the clubs.

Five public witnesses appeared and testified that they patronize these Gardena clubs frequently and that they have no convenient public transportation to these clubs and that they desire this type of service and would use the service several times a week or month, and support the application. Counsel for applicants submitted the names and addresses of four other witnesses who have signed statements supporting the application and stating that they need and would use the service, and these statements are marked Exhibits Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 in evidence.

The Superintendent of Gardena Bus Lines appeared for protestant City of Gardena, and introduced into evidence Exhibit No. 5, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gardena, which contains the following paragraph:

"RESOLVED, that this City Council does hereby protest the issuance by the Public Utilities Commission of a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Edward Vanderdoes, George Ishibashi and George Koga, doing business as International Limousine Service Co., to operate a passenger stage service in the City of Gardena."

The superintendent testified that the Gardena Bus Lines would be adversely affected by the service proposed by applicants. The witness testified that the Gardena Bus Lines operates to Fifth and Main Streets, Los Angeles, and the fare is 55 cents and that the City and the bus lines oppose the operation of the proposed service.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Commission finds as follows:

- 1. Applicants possess the experience, equipment, personnel and financial resources to institute and maintain the proposed service.
- 2. There are no convenient transportation services available to the segment of the public which desire to use the proposed service and the existing passenger stage corporation serving in the territory will not provide such service to the satisfaction of the Commission.
- 3. The operation of the proposed service with a fare of \$3 will not adversely affect the traffic of the Gardena Bus Lines, with fares of 55 cents to downtown Los Angeles.
- 4. The applicants will be restricted from picking up and discharging passengers whose origin and destination points are both within the city limits of the City of Gardena.
- 5. Public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted as set forth in the ensuing order.

Edward Vanderdoes, George Ishibashi and George Koga, doing business as International Limousine Service Company, a partnership, are hereby placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be

capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, these rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business. This monopoly feature may be modified or canceled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

#### ORDER

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Edward Vanderdoes, George Ishibashi and George Koga, doing business as International Limousine Service Company, a partnership, authorizing them to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points and over the routes particularly set forth in Appendix A, pages 1, 2, and 3, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 2. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicants shall comply with and observe the following service regulations. Failure so to do may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.
  - (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicants shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. Applicants are placed on notice that, if they accept the certificate of public convenience and

necessity herein granted, they will be required, among other things, to comply with and observe the safety rules of the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-A and insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 101-C.

- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, applicants shall establish the service herein authorized and file tariffs and timetables, in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective not earlier than ten days after the effective date of this order on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the service herein authorized.
- (d) The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79 and 98-A.
- (e) Applicants shall maintain their accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts

or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of their operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

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

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Commissioner Fred P. Morrissoy, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Appendix A

EDWARD VANDERDOES, GEORGE ISHIBASHI and GEORGE KOGA, doing business as INTERNATIONAL LIMOUSINE SERVICE CO.

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CERTIFICATE

of

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Showing passenger stage operative rights, restrictions, limitations, exceptions, and privileges applicable thereto.

All changes and amendments as authorized by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California will be made as revised pages or added original pages.

Issued under authority of Decision No.

July 22, 1969, of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, on Application No. 50844.

Appendix A EDWARD VANDERDOES, GEORGE ISHIBASHI and GEORGE KOGA doing business as INTERNATIONAL LIMOUSINE SERVICE CO.

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Section 1. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS.

Edward Vanderdoes, George Ishibashi and George Koga, a partnership, doing business as International Limousine Service Co., by certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport passengers as follows:

1. BETWEEN the Los Angeles, Hollywood and West Los Angeles Territories, as said territories are hereinafter described, on the one hand, and the Monterey Club (13927 South Vermont Avenue, Gardena) and the Rainbow Club (13915 South Vermont Avenue, Gardena), on the other hand, over and along the most direct or appropriate route or routes.

The authority granted is subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

- (a) Service shall be limited to the transportation of passengers who originate at or are destined to the Monterey Club or the Rainbow Club.
- (b) All passengers must be picked up or discharged at points within the authorized service territories or at the Monterey Club or the Rainbow Club.
- (c) No passengers shall be transported whose origin and destination are both within the city limits of the City of Gardena.
- (d) Service shall be operated with limousine type vehicles, not exceeding 7-passenger capacity, exclusive of driver.

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### SECTION 2. DESCRIPTION OF TERRITORIES

The territories within which International Limousine Service Co. is authorized to pick up or discharge passengers are described and defined as follows:

### LOS ANGELES TERRITORY:

Beginning at the intersection of La Cienega Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard; thence along Olympic Boulevard, Broadway, Santa Barbara, San Pedro Street, Redondo Beach Boulevard, San Diego Freeway, to its intersection with La Cienega Boulevard to the point of beginning.

### HOLLYWOOD TERRITORY:

Beginning at the intersection of La Cienega Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard; thence along Olympic Boulevard, Harbor Freeway, Hollywood Freeway, Vermont Avenue, Los Feliz Boulevard, Western Avenue, Franklin Avenue, Sierra Bonita Avenue, Hollywood Boulevard, Laurel Canyon Boulevard, Sunset Boulevard, La Cienega Boulevard to the point of beginning.

### WEST LOS ANGELES TERRITORY:

Beginning at the intersection of Sunset Boulevard and La Cienega Boulevard; thence along Sunset Boulevard, Barrington Avenue, McLaughlin Avenue, Venice Boulevard, Lincoln Boulevard, Sapulveda Boulevard, Century Boulevard, San Diego Freeway, to its intersection with La Cienega Boulevard to the point of beginning.

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