

Decision No. 76129**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
 of (1) George F. Hellen, doing
 business as SONOMA VALLEY BUS LINES
 for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate
 (2) passenger stage service between
 points in and about Sonoma Valley
 and Mare Island.

Application No. 51275
 (Filed July 29, 1969)

O P I N I O N

George F. Hellen, an individual doing business as Sonoma Valley Bus Lines, requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the transportation of passengers as a passenger stage corporation between points in Sonoma Valley, including Sonoma, El Verano, Boyes Springs and Agua Caliente, on the one hand, and the Mare Island Naval Shipyard, on the other hand.

Applicant owns and operates two buses with capacities of 37 and 40 passengers. Applicant proposes to operate round trip daily schedules five days a week over two routes. Schedules on both routes would arrive at Mare Island at 7:10 a.m. and leave at 4:30 p.m. Applicant proposes a weekly commute fare between Sonoma Valley points and Mare Island of \$5.00.

It is alleged that the proposed service is designed to transport employees of Mare Island to and from work, and that the proposed service will be noncompetitive with that provided by Greyhound Lines, Inc., the only existing passenger stage corporation serving this area. Copies of the application were served

upon Greyhound Lines, Inc., the Commandant of Mare Island Shipyards and the County of Sonoma. Also, the application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of July 30, 1969. No objections to granting the requested authority have been made known to the Commission.

After consideration the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the granting of the application. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to George F. Hellen, authorizing him 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 attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant 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, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. Applicant is placed on notice that, if he accepts the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, he 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, applicant 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) Applicant shall maintain his 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 his 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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 3rd day of SEPTEMBER, 1969.

William Sproull
President

[Signature]

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Commissioners

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

George F. Hellen, by the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized to transport passengers between points within a territory consisting of the City of Sonoma and points within a radius of three miles of its corporate limits and the Community of Boyes Springs (Intersection of Boyes Boulevard and State Highway No. 12) and points within a radius of three miles thereof, on the one hand, and the Mare Island Naval Shipyard, on the other hand, and intermediate points along State Highways 12, 121 and 37, subject to the following provisions:

1. Only passengers destined to or originating at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard, and who are employed at that facility, shall be transported.
2. Service will be operated only at times necessary to meet employee shift needs on regular working days.
3. Operations within the territory described above, and operations between State Highway 37 and Mare Island Naval Shipyard shall be conducted over the most suitable public streets and highways.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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